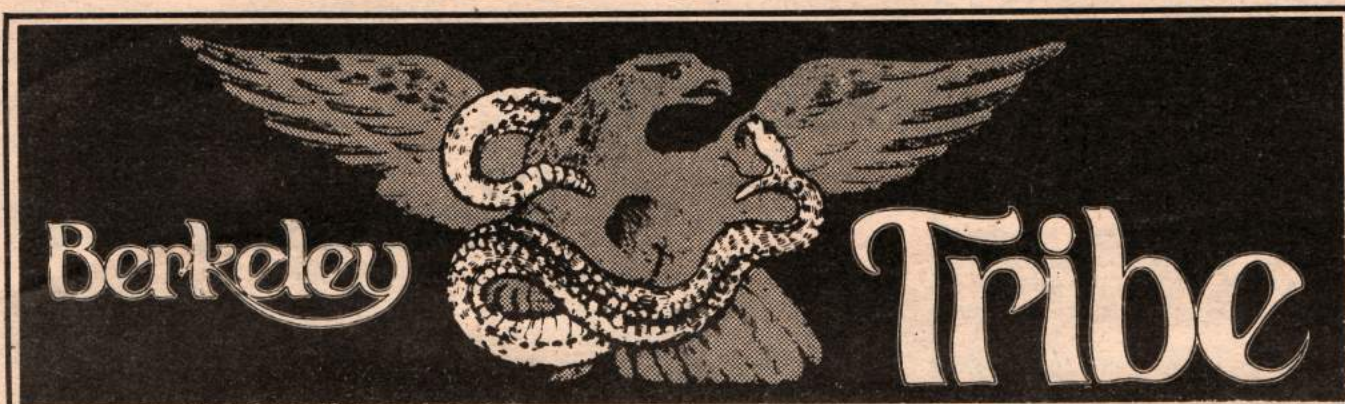


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SHORT SHIT

WASHINGTON — Senate Democrats aced our Teddy Kennedy, the Silent Swinster of Chappaquiddick, two weeks ago. But the man who replaced him, West Virginia's Robert Byrd is an ex-member of the Ku Klux Klan. This is the new "committed" Democratic Party.

WASHINGTON, D.C. (N.Y. Times) — On November 25, 1969, President Nixon announced that the United States would not use biological weapons and would destroy its existing stocks of such weapons.

Last week Senator Frank Church revealed that the Army's germ warfare testing center at Deseret, Utah Deseret, Utah will soon be expanded by 190 military and 250 civilian employees, making Deseret the largest biological warfare research center in the world. The Army says that personnel at the center will conduct "defensive biological warfare research."

TROY, ALA.— Max Rafferty, once boss of California's entire school system has a new job. He's going to teach at Troy State University, a small school in this town of 12,000 about 50 miles from Montgomery.

The reactionary Rafferty was defeated this year by — gasp — a Black man. It was a stunning upset for the ambitious Rafferty who is still stunned. A small Alabama town may be good for his super-ego.

He says he turned down two college presidencies. "Frankly, I'd rather volunteer for active duty in Vietnam," said Rafferty, who held a deferment throughout W.W. II for a "limp" that cleared up shortly after the war.

LOS ANGELES — Charles Manson attacked his unwanted attorney in court last week. Manson, who has long sought to defend himself in court, hit Irving Kanarek three times, pushed him, and left him "cowering in his chair."

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FLASH!!

12:32 Thursday morning, justice dealt to Oakland Induction Center. A bomb placed in mail box in front of the Induction Center exploded, damaging four adjacent buildings. Night custodian who was in federal building which houses Center was too far from blast to be endangered. No injuries. BUT damage was "extensive".

DELLUMS ON OCEAN VIEW

The issue today at Ocean View represents another tragic schism between individual citizens and the officials they ostensibly have chosen to rule for them. I am familiar with the Ocean View situation, and I am appalled that there must be a confrontation in order to resolve the problems. I feel that the citizens are well justified in their fears that not just five homes, but the whole area, may soon be turned over to outside developers whose prime interest is in profits rather than in a viable community.

I call upon the Mayor, the City Council, and the Redevelopment Agency to rescind the order to destroy the Ocean View homes until further hearings —

presenting the full views of Ocean View residents — can be held. Here in Washington, I am calling upon the House Banking and Currency Committee to investigate the Ocean View situation.

I regret that necessary duties here in Washington prevent me from standing today with the citizens of Ocean View in their well justified protest. I shall keep in close touch with the situation as it develops, and I assure the citizens of Ocean View that I shall do all that I can to see that they receive justice and equity in this crucial struggle to maintain their community.

Ronald V. Dellums, Congressman, 7th California District

LAOS

Are we invading Laos? We are invading Laos. We have to invade Laos.

It is the time of their time. Phnom Penh may collapse. What does that mean? It means that the war has spread to all of Indochina and that America is losing that war.

It means that Laird must go on TV and try to explain why. Fall guy. He explains without explaining anything.

The war is being escalated, but this time they won't talk about it. This time there is a total news blackout. While the TV stations of Amerika are focusing on the moon, Russian and Japanese newspapers are the only source through which we learn the movements of Amerikan troops.

How can we sustain an effective rage? Last year they invaded Cambodia. A mass freakout. Waves and waves of protest. Embryonic, unformed, unsure of what to do. Only sure that something had to be done. This time it's different. They learned from Cambodia. Are we surprised?

What we did last spring was good and necessary. Even if we didn't make the machine come to a grinding halt, we DID slow them down and make it impossible for them to continue openly in the same way.

What has to happen? What does Amerika have to do? They have to cut off the Ho Chi Minh trail. That is the artery, lifechain of the People's Army.

They've tried. Laos has been bombed, bombed more heavily than any country in history. Still the trail remains; the vital supplies get where they have to go.

So they invade. They can't do it with planes, so they try to do it with troops.

Understand, that the men who run this country are desperate. They appear to be rational but their acts show them to be insane.

Pigs do not like to lose. Spring does not mean just lovely weather in Berkeley. It means that the quality of our lives changes and deepens because the people we want to love are being attacked again?

So where is the rage?

In protracted war you learn to operate from many different feelings, many different places.

We're pissed off that we have to live in the same country with these assholes. We're glad they're losing. It gives our lives a little hope.

Nixon last week promised to return power to the people — 73% of whom, according to the latest Gallup poll, oppose the war in Indochina. He then ended the week by ordering massive invasions of Laos and Cambodia, and blacking out all news reports of these events.

Despite the Pentagon-produced cloud

of uncertainty over 'Allied' military operations, every news medium in the world has reported an invasion of Laos by South Vietnamese troops supported by American aircraft. At least 30,000 American and South Vietnamese ground troops have massed on the Laotian border. Many have moved into Laos to attack the Ho Chi Minh trail. On Wednesday, Saigon announced that invasions of 'sanctuaries' in Cambodia have been going on for the past week.

With this last escalation, the Pentagon admits that the war is everywhere in Indochina. The Vietnamese have long explained to the American movement that the destinies of Laos, Vietnam, and Cambodia are one. Amerika will control all these countries, or none.

These three countries are the most vulnerable outposts of the Asian empire. Until now, the focus of US warfare in Indochina was Vietnam. The deterioration of the puppet regimes in Cambodia and Laos necessitates much greater Amerikan commitment in these countries.

Nixon's invasion of Cambodia last May was a fiasco, accomplishing little on the battlefield in Indochina, while creating new battlefields at home. The tide of popular rage which swept the campuses and youth ghettos of this country severely limited Nixon's ability to carry out that invasion.

Now, the Nixon administration, learning from the past, hopes to invade Laos successfully by not telling anyone what's going on. The White House clearly hopes that we will remain quiet until the media are allowed to tell us what happened, when the invasion will have been accomplished.

By Wednesday, NLF military activity in South Vietnam was higher than at any time in the previous ten months. Pathet Lao forces took the offensive on the Plain of Jars in Northern Laos, seizing four outposts, and threatening the royal capital.

The embargo is meant to keep us away from the news and from each other. But it won't work. We now know that it's time for us to act.



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PROFITEERS DESTROY FIVE HOMES

The Berkeley Redevelopment Agency has begun the destruction of homes in the Ocean View area of Berkeley. Five houses were demolished early this week as part of a plan to force over 200 residents from the area and create a 'West Berkeley Industrial Park.' Moving in secret, the BRA started destruction at six a.m. Monday morning. About 20 residents gathered to picket, and two people, Linda Willard and Bob Fabian, were busted for sitting in front of the contractor's truck.

Monday afternoon, about 50 Ocean View residents and their supporters crowded into the meeting room of the BRA and demanded an immediate halt to all demolition. The Board members and their pig administrator, Thomas Cooke, stalled and debated but refused to say they would stop the destruction. The Ocean View residents argued that the federal money should be used to renovate existing homes and to build community facilities. Bill Walker, a middle-aged black man who is chairman of the Ocean View Committee also read a telegram from Congressman Dellums. Dellums strongly supported the Ocean View residents, and squarely placed the blame for creating a confrontation on the BRA.

We heard about the events on Monday and went down to 6th and Hearst at six o'clock Tuesday morning. A small group of people was gathered on the corner sharing wheat meal and coffee. As the sun rose we could see the house, a beautiful brown-shingle dwelling. The contractor's crane and truck drove up, and it was incredible to think that soon that old house would be in pieces in that truck. By this time about 75 people were picketing in front of the house, and residents had come out of their houses to watch.

Three people were busted on Tuesday. Bill Richards of Ecology Action and Bob Luigweiler, an older merchant, were busted for refusing to leave the house. John Willard of the Ocean View Committee was fingered by BRA relocation officer, Fred Harris, and busted for resisting arrest while he was walking on the picket line.

Finally the pigs moved us across the street and the demolition began. In stone-faced rage we watched them smash the house to pieces.

Plans to destroy the Ocean View homes were begun as far back as 1965, when the city council adopted the Master Plan. The plan had two overall goals as far as land use was concerned. First, to insure 'sound opportunities for investment', the many small lots to be developed by large investors; and second, the redevelopers want to take land which is now producing small profits, and turn it to other uses where higher profits are available. This means that old homes and small businesses must be eliminated, not because they no longer fulfill the needs of the people, but because they do not produce enough profits for the PIGS.

So the BRA decided to buy 92 acres west of 6th st., and call it the 'West Berkeley Industrial Park'. The area between 4th and 6th sts. is occupied largely by old houses which are cheap but mostly in good condition. In a redevelopment area, however, it is forbidden to make improvement, so owners are forced to let their buildings deteriorate. The rest of the land is presently occupied by small commercial and industrial concerns and vacant lots.

In February, 1970 the BRA got \$2.5 million from the federal government to go ahead with the project. The residents, who had for years consistently opposed the whole idea at public hearings, got together and formed the Ocean View Committee. They appeared at a meeting of the BRA in August and demanded a halt to land acquisition. The BRA granted a 90 day moratorium, but one month later turned around and broke the agreement.

Under the stewardship of its administrator, Thomas Cooke, the BRA has a history of lying and trickery in connection with Ocean View. When Cooke returned from vacation in September, he illegally revised the decision of the seven-member board on the moratorium. Under Federal law, the BRA is also required to consult a project

area committee, made up of representatives from the area. So Cooke created a committee with members from the West Berkeley Neighborhood Association, a group that never meet and has no members other than its officers, the Berkeley-Albany industrialists

Association, and the Ocean View Committee. But when they found that the Committee was rigged, the Ocean View Committee walked out of the negotiations. Cooke then announced that he had reread the law, and decided that a project area committee was not necessary, and when the BRA began demolition this week, they found it necessary to move without notice, at 6 o'clock in the morning.

In the face of consistent opposition from the people the BRA has proceeded with their project, despite the fact that their original plan clearly is not feasible. There is a large surplus of industrial land in the Bay Area and the region's 101 "industrial parks" are only 14% developed. Land in Berkeley is expensive and industry can find better opportunities elsewhere. At the City Council meeting on Dec. 22, Thomas Cooke admitted that the BRA had not received one commitment from an industrial firm to locate in the "park".

Cooke did let out a clue as to what he has in mind, however. At the same meeting he said that 2 large realtors, Grubb and Ellis Co. and S.B. Odell Co.

had expressed interest in the land. These developers build expensive high-rise apartments and Ocean View is in their eyes ideal for such an investment. But Cooke and the BRA cannot openly say that they are going to tear down funky low rent homes and put up high rent plastic apartments, so they persist in the lie that they are developing an "industrial park".

As the situation stands now, the BRA can move at any moment to destroy the vacant buildings the still hold. Over fifty families are still facing relocation procedures.

Many members see the April 6th City Council elections as crucial to their cause. A radical city council could halt the industrial blight project and replace the board members of the BRA. Meanwhile the Ocean View Committee will continue to struggle against the Industrial Blight Project and it seeks the support of broad sections of the population of Berkeley. People who want to help should call the Ocean View Committee, 843-4382 or People's Architecture, 548-3661.



ON STRIKE

KEEP IT OPEN!

Merritt is situated in a third world, working class community and the majority of the students are black people who live in that community. The hill campus is in a white community far away from the majority of the student body. Obviously the hill campus was not built to serve the present students at Merritt. Many students cannot afford the expense of commuting to the hill campus, many want to go to school in their own community not in the rich white hill campus where police harassment is a likely prospect. Many students felt they had a right to control their own school. It seemed ridiculous that white upper class pigs should control the education of Third World people in their own community. The Peralta Board of Trustees, a board with one black member, one woman and five white men, in 1965 had planned to build 4 campuses, including one to replace the flatlands. So far 3 have been built, Laney, Alameda and the hill campus. Now the board claims that it has run out of money. Laney and Alameda college are overcrowded and the hill campus holds 3000 full and 2000 part time students. That leaves 5000 students who cannot go anyway.

Over these issues the students and the faculty of Merritt organized and came up with 3 demands. The first would enable the flatlands campus to stay open for students who wanted to go there, the second to ensure that a fourth campus would be built within the community on funds from the Peralta district and the third that the people of the Peralta school district would control their schools.

At a meeting with representatives from Merritt and the Peralta board, the board met all 3 demands and set up meetings for discussing the implementation of community control in June.

The first of these meetings was to be held last week and the board cancelled it. Then students noticed that books were disappearing from the library, and much other equipment from the science labs and the cafeteria were being ripped-off and moved to the hill. The facts were that the board had lied and had no intention of keeping the demands.

In response to the growing anger of the Merritt community the Black Student Union called a strike for Monday morning.

Meanwhile, back at the office, we got a report from the board meeting over the phone that the board had relinquished all responsibility for calling the pigs and it was now up to Captain Gaines of the OPD to decide when and if they should vamp. To us that meant it was just a matter of time. 20 min. later a call came saying the OPD was massed only 2 block away and there were a number of plain clothed pigs on the campus. We had decided that if they did come, they were going to have to break the mother fucking doors in because we weren't coming out.

The intensity built because many people went to the board meeting and we were relatively unprotected on the outside front. This was one of the tactical mistakes we made. However, we suffered no consequence. More and more plain clothes pigs were spotted on the campus. Medics began to come to Merritt in great numbers. The Free Clinic sent a cadre. The word was out in the community about the situation. The tension was intense.

The room was crowded with beautiful sisters and brothers of all races and from all different kinds of groups. Doug Moranda of the BSU stood up and read the demands along with the threat that if the board would not meet all of the demands the strike would spread to other Peralta campuses (Laney, Alameda, and the new hill campus). The Chicano Student Union gave a supporting statement of the demands. Naomi Gilbert, a member of the Merritt faculty brought to the attention of everyone that although the community has paid taxes for all four campuses in 1965, to date only three campuses have been built and the board claims funds are gone. Now the board says they don't see any other way to raise more money besides raising taxes in April. She questioned the board on their "Defense Department strategy".

After this came some more gripes about having to buy new, additional equipment if they couldn't rip-off furniture, books and laboratory equipment from the Grove street campus. At one point the one black member of the board tried appealing to the audience saying. "My black brothers and sisters, you've got to see that Smith is really working for you, and that this no manner to treat a Black brother." Moranda retaliated with:

"We no longer see color as the criteria with which to judge who are our brothers and who our sisters. We now see that this is a class struggle, not a race struggle." Doug was pushing the board to vote on the last three demands-they refused under the pretext of being harassed and pressured by the audience.

Suddenly everyone heard the loud rumble of motorbikes in the street below; people by the window shouted that the pigs had arrived. After that tension was really high and it triggered an argument about the morality of using police force on students holding the offices. The board claimed they had no authority to regulate the police department's actions and were interrupted by someone shouting that the pigs had Merritt surrounded! Half the people left to give the students in the office support, while the remainder of the meeting concluded with the promise by the board that no equipment would be removed from Merritt.

About 1:00 am people began coming back from the board meeting. "We won, we won, we won our demands" We hadn't won a socialist revolution, no. But we had gotten the Board to stat it would be illegal for anyone to remove a stitch of equipment from Merritt. We got a Board set up composed of 6 members who would be elected and could have to be consulted for any further steps were taken about the future of Merritt. There is now a coalition between BSU, Asian Alliance, Chicano studies, Women's Student Union, Revolutionary Studies program, Black Vets and White Vets. A council has been set up with 2 representatives, to act as the coordinating group to continue the struggle, keep the

students informed and maintain unity. This is very far out, Brothers and Sisters. On what other college campus today does there exist a coalition between different radical racial groups? At Merritt we have realized that it is a class struggle, it is the poor against the rich and it is to our advantage to work together to fight the common enemy. We realize the victory is only one of many struggles to come. The unity we did win. The educational process we underwent, and are undergoing is a beginning. The leadership of the BSU was exemplary and we were strong together. The strike is temporarily suspended until such time as we see fit to move again. We know we have the power and the strenght to shut it down at the first signs of backsliding and more lies from the Board. Many classes have been reconstituted to continue political education around community control. We will continue to work together in order to insure the power to keep Merritt open and instigate community control.

The student Coalition at Merritt is holding a mass meeting for students on Monday and Tuesday morning and evening. It is being held to elect students to the committee. Please come to the auditorium and support Merritt.

It was time to deal with the fact that although last November the Peralta Board appeared to have met our four demands of community control they were in fact only lying to us and vacillating up on the hill thinking they'd pulled the wool over our eyes. They said that Merritt would remain open and yet every day they were slowly, underhandedly, bleeding off the facilities.

At 7:45 on Monday morning about 25 students met in the BSU office. there were to be 15 blacks, 15 Chicanos. When we arrived, there were 5-6 Blacks and 14 Whites. At that point, we almost postponed the take over of the office and the strike. We remembered last year when SDS called a strike which was not mass



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based. It was unsuccessful. Despite this danger, we decided that the BSU had called the strike, and since we were sure to have more supporters later on because we felt the school was ready for it, we decided to move. About 12 of us marched up to the business office, threw open the doors, asked the secretaries to kindly leave please on account of this was a strike and were taking over the office—proceeded to barricade the doors, take over switch board, call the news stations, and coordinate our responsibilities. A mass rally was called for 10:00. Doug Moranda, BSU, was taking care of what was happening outside of the office while Jimmy Evans, BSU, was on the inside. That is not to say that everyone involved didn't play an integral part in creating a successful strike and building solidarity. By 11:00, pickets were set up all over the school. The people were together, this was our main strength, crucial to success.

Norvell Smith, liberal Black president of Merritt and member of the Black caucus, was all fire up about what to do. He was the only one with the power to

call the police. He kept on wanting to talk and negotiate. "Were we destroying anything in the office? Were we armed? Were we messing with his T.V.? Was Jim Evans taking full responsibility for this?" of course the answers were no. He kept wanting to bullshit and talk. We closed down negotiations until such time that demands were met. The people inside the office were prepared to suffer whatever consequences. We were told many times that the OPD had been notified. People on the outside were prepared also. There was another rally at 2:00. Doug Moranda explained the situation, gave a political analysis of community control and emphasized the seriousness of the move we were taking. Phone tree, mail funds, first aid supplies, rotating picket lines, were organized.

Things quieted down around 6:00. Everyone was anticipating the Peralta Board meeting that was being held at 7:30. I stayed inside the office so I wasn't there, but I understand we had those jive pigs squirming in their seats.

Merritt

Communique

Communique from the liberated "business not as usual" offices. We have seized the president's office, the dean's office and the Business office. These offices have been taken over by Black, brown and white students. Soon after our entrance we were joined by Asian-American students in support.

The Merritt Student Strike that has been called by the BSU and led by the coalition is our last resort, all legal means have been exhausted. The line is now drawn **THE THING IS NOT OUR OPPOSITION TO THE HILL CAMPUS BUT WE WANT A SCHOOL FOR OUR OWN COMMUNITY.**

The latest put-down of students and community peoples came when the Peralta Board of Trustees cancelled the Community control meeting that was to be held at Merritt. We now see that democratic participation of the people is ultimately the only way we can control the institutions that affect our lives.

We are unarmed—we are non-violently confronting the power that decides what happens to Merritt. We demand to know now ***NOW,NOW,NOW.** We have had enough lies to deceive us from the Administration and the Board of trustees. We want answers now. Amnesty for all students in the offices. No disciplinary action. And we want these demands **NOW,NOW,NOW.**

1. Grove street Campus. We demand keeping the present facility at Grove Street open and in full operation until such time as a fourth community college can be fully operative either in the vicinity of Grove Street Campus or at the same location.

2. Funds for Fourth Campus. We demand that beginning with the fiscal year on July 1, 1971, funds for the operation of any fourth campus in the North Oakland-Berkeley-Albany Area to be drawn from the total Peralta District funds because of the initial commitment to the building of a fourth community college.

3. Community Control. We demand that the present flatland campus of Merritt College at this or any future site after construction be controlled by the community. By community we mean students, faculty, staff, administrators, and community and community people.

4. Community Control For All Peralta Colleges. We demand that Laney and Alameda college communities have the same right for community control. We want community control for Laney and Alameda.

5. All equipment, Facilities, Lab and Art Materials, All books, meals, library everything stays here at Merritt.

6. A community Control Council must be immediately composed of students, faculty, staff, administrators, and community people to facilitate a smooth transition to a fourth campus under community control.



GREETINGS from PIG CITY

The FBI has been hassling people in the East Bay again.

During the past week, they entered two houses in which movement people live, without search warrants, ostensibly looking for underground Weatherwomen Bernardine Dohrn and Kathy Boudin, whom they have frantically been trying to catch for the past year.

One house was in Berkeley, the other

in North Oakland. Before the raids, there was a flood of pig cars in the areas. Ex-Weatherpeople were believed to have stayed in both houses in the past. In one case, the person answering the door didn't bother to find out who was knocking.

Needless to say, neither Bernardine nor Kathy was found, but the FBI, accompanied by local pigs, did a lot of snooping around. There were no bus's.

UNWANTED SEXIST

Last Tuesday, the Women's Student Union, backed by black, Asian, and Chicano student groups, picketed the class of Paul Camera, an Associate Professor of Law, rehired this year to teach Domestic Relations, on account of his discriminatory and sexist attitudes towards women.

The issue arose last year due to his behavior towards women in his class. Camera had a habit of making sexual jokes that were blatantly degrading, derogatory, and offensive to women. When approached by a woman student to discuss his behavior, he told her she must have a sexual problem. Insidious remarks turned to out-right attacks. When Zona Sage, instrumental in staging Tuesday's demonstration, walked out of his class last year in protest, he launched into a sexist diatribe: "That is what I have against women lawyers. They are too emotional. I think femininity is an essential characteristic for a woman. A woman cannot be feminine and aggressive at the same time. Women don't make good trial lawyers.... A woman can't do



PROF. PAUL CAMERA

her job in court and still be feminine... They can't be good trial lawyers and still be women."

A man who is so hostile toward women and is so consumed by this hostility is not qualified to teach at Hastings. Camera's bias is in direct contradiction to the philosophy of a legal institution which is supposed to be based upon equality and justice. Camera's repeated displays of sexism make him unfit to teach any course in law, especially Domestic Relations.

The Administration's solution of retaining Camera and hiring a token female is totally unacceptable. Paul Camera must go. The Women's Student Union will continue to protest until Camera is dismissed.

Right on, Sisters!

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In the interest of electability ...

"Not to have a correct political point of view is like having no soul." (On the Correct Handling of Contradictions Among the People)

Over 200 people came to Franklin Jr. High School in Berkeley Saturday and painlessly if unenthusiastically nominated Loni Hancock and Rick Brown as the official April Coalition candidates for city council, as everybody wondered what to do about Warren Widener.

The proceedings were less than spine-tingling. The Coalition is characterized beyond anything else, by an unrelenting suspicion of leadership.

Like the Democratic and Republican parties, it claims to run on issues, not personalities; unlike these bodies, there is actually a serious intention to do so. Last week, a platform of some thirty pages had been adopted.

What emotion there was at the meeting centered on this platform, and how strongly candidates would be anchored to it.

It was first established that any can-

didate whose name was going to be in the running would have to promise to withdraw if not nominated. Ron Lai, the Nisei president of the Bay Area Funeral Society, distributed a sheet asking for the nomination though he would run even if he didn't receive it, since he was "running also as an Asian, a motive which goes beyond pure politics." Former Israeli heavy machine-gunner and feminist Rivka Sigal had already announced an intention to run in any case: "It is high time for an underdog to be elected to this city council." Both Ron and Rivka were thrown out of the running, which did not prevent Rivka from speaking at great length at various points in the meeting, as she has done throughout the coalition organizing stages.

Members of the men's collective which had written the coalition plank on men's liberation showed up to protest the trashing of a plank which had called, among other things, for an end to "brutalized he-man attitudes" and the "limiting genital orientation to sex that has been imposed." Coalition liberals tried to explain

that the planks had been - ah - dropped not because anyone disagreed with them, but because they were too vague, while other liberals distributed a sheet calling for the election of "electable" candidates. It was still early in the morning, and few freaks had arrived. In the interests of electability, the coalition took no position on genital sexuality.

Berkeley psychopath-saint Jefferson Fuck Poland insisted that all candidates be bound by every syllable. "If that isn't the basis, candidates will just go on the same ego trip candidates have always been on." Berkeley Coalition responsible Frank Daar replied that "anyone who says he agrees with everything in that program is probably being dishonest with us," and his allies pushed to have candidates bound to only those two parts of the platform which contained language explicitly binding candidates—the police control amendment and the Vietnam war initiative.

This at first succeeded, by a vote of 187-149. "This is a liberal shuck, man," somebody said, and somebody else actually got up and took a few steps toward the door. A small amount of parliamentary footwork ensued, leading to a vote that "all candidates who put themselves forward commit themselves to attempt to carry out the issues on the platform," which carried by a clear majority.

The decision was immediately put into effect. Louise Stoll, who had been a candidate for the nomination for school board, was forced out when it was learned that she couldn't support the police petition. Her presence in the running, considering that the police control petition plank contained the explicit binding language, would have been difficult to understand had not the liberal lawyers cleared it up for us: the plank contained no language explicitly binding school board—as opposed to city council—candidates.

Seven people put themselves forward and announced that they agreed with everything the people said, and that they were willing to run for council, and willing not to run if they didn't get nominated. Three of the people—Craig Murphy, Rick Brown, and Loni Hancock—made almost indistinguishable speeches, summing up in a businesslike way what everyone agreed about, in deliveries almost completely vacant of personal mannerism. Looking over my notes for their speeches, I find almost nothing but ditto marks.

Craig Murphy, who had won the endorsement of the April 6 movement on campus, was kamikazed out of the run-

ning by Lois Weiner of IS. "The main enemy is the democratic party; there must be no ties to the democratic party for April Coalition candidates...Craig Murphy is a member of the central committee of the Democratic Party." He received only 73 votes out of 402, not enough for the 20% required to be placed on the runoff second ballot.

Loni Hancock, who ran almost successfully in 1969, received 265 votes on the first ballot, and was therefore nominated. Rick Brown and Paul Sawyer, with 177 and 105 votes respectively entered the runoff. Sawyer was questioned about what he had meant when he had said he would "make Berkeley truly a utopia for men and women;" he replied that we first had to take into account "the instantaneous quality of consciousness change," and concluded by saying that "utopia is a weird word to use...we have to realize we are in utopia despite all the shit around."

Rick Brown came closer to the problem that was on everyone's mind when he said that we "can't build socialism in a single city; we have to relate to communities other than our own, but our struggle should be an enjoyable one; we must find forms which make the struggle part of us, so that we can really revel in and enjoy the things we're engaged in."

After a day in which nobody had been reveling in and enjoying the things they were engaged in, the appeal for a politics of joy was a welcome one. Brown received the nomination, by a vote of 240-88, everyone hung around for a while on the floor and discussed how depressing the whole thing was, and went home.

The one thing conventions are supposed to do—to drum up enthusiasm, to give campaigns running starts—did not come off. At one point, a collective came marching in demonstrating for the nomination of Nixon, thumping and yelling; it was nice and appropriate, but nobody could really get to shouting, and nobody picked up on the satire—after all, Nixon has just promised participatory democracy. Even that great standby of recent months, the kid's lib presentation, didn't really get people off.

Most of the reason behind this was Warren Widener. At one point in the meeting, a group of blacks came in with Widener buttons, more or less to see what was going on. Frank Daar cornered one: "Widener's trashed us twice in the past week: why don't you people just leave us alone? He's been lying to us all week, not evasions, just out and out lies."

Widener's decision not to support community control of police threw the whole elaborate cats cradle so painstakingly strung together over the last three months into a tangle. As everyone at the meeting who could count was aware, if Widener does not support community control, the coalition would have to run an alternative candidate, which would amount to guarantee of election for Wilmont Sweeney. Even if Widener turns around and announces he now supports community control—as he sometimes seems to be doing—who can trust him?

On Thursday, the coalition was scheduled to meet and decide what to do about nominating someone for mayor. In the meantime, no endorsement for mayor was made and things looked bleak. Radicals might tell liberals that Widener's trashing was the inevitable result of working with personalities rather than issues, particularly personalities such as Widener's. What, after all, was to be expected from a professional who works for Safeway? But the second guessing didn't change the mood of gloom. It was the first political convention I have ever been to, heard of, or read about where nobody talked about winning.

lesson of the week



Vote? Register.

Berkeley powers-that-be are trying to make it as difficult as possible for migrant voters (most of us) to vote in the April elections.

Mike Culbert of the Berkeley Gazette is urging conservatives who don't live in Berkeley, but who own property here, to register phony addresses so they can vote. Both former assemblyman Don Mulford and city registrar Edythe Campbell have called for a quick change in voting rules. The Examiner's pro-police reporter Ed Montgomery was more up-front with his fear — he warned that it is "possible for 20,000 hippies to converge on Berkeley, register 90 days in advance of an election from any address, bonafide or otherwise, and seize control of the city's government."

Radical votes have proved high in recent elections. Stew Albert received 22,000 votes in Berkeley, when he ran for sheriff of Alameda County last spring on a "smash Santa Rita" ticket. Dellums got

35,000 votes in Berkeley last November, enough to win a seat in Congress. These numbers are deceiving, though. A lot of blacks and white liberals from the Dellums camp are not going to support the community control of police amendment. And many people who symbolically cast a vote for Stew Albert, knowing Madigan was going to win, are going to be more wary about voting for something they think might win.

When you register and when you vote, you are likely to be questioned about how long you've lived in Berkeley, whether you've moved, whether you voted before and in what precinct, all questions designed to check if you are "qualified." They might also ask you at the voting place for your Social Security number: this is unconstitutional and you can tell them to forget it. As for the other questions, just have your head together around these simple points:

YOU HAVE UNTIL FEBRUARY 11 TO REGISTER FOR THE APRIL ELECTION.

IF YOU ARE OR WILL BE OVER 21, BY APRIL 6, YOU CAN REGISTER.

YOU MUST HAVE A BERKELEY ADDRESS WHICH YOU CAN SAY YOU HAVE LIVED IN FOR AT LEAST NINETY DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION, THAT IS, SINCE JANUARY 6.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED FROM YOUR LAST REGISTERED ADDRESS, YOU MUST REGISTER OVER AGAIN.

IF YOU DID NOT VOTE LAST NOVEMBER, YOUR NAME HAS BEEN DROPPED FROM THE VOTER LIST, AND YOU MUST REGISTER AGAIN.

IF YOU HAVE CHANGED YOUR NAME YOU MUST REGISTER AGAIN.

Where to register: Sproul Plaza, 11-4, Monday through Friday.



chicano

part

On Sunday, January 3, California Chicanos exploded in Los Angeles, reacting against the harassment of their community by Los Angeles County Sheriff's deputies. This was the fourth such action in months. On Aug. 29, three brothers were killed by Sheriff's deputies. Similar confrontations occurred on Jan. 16 and Jan. 9. When it was over, buildings were damaged, 25 people were seriously injured (including 7 pigs), and 1 Chicano lay dead.

The action came off a rally organized by the Chicano Moratorium Committee to protest police brutality. About 5000 people gathered from all over L.A. county to the rally, which was generally peaceful. Only violence at the park occurred when the Chicanos kicked opportunists from the park grounds. Chicanos met some resistance from a member of the Brown Beret P.L. paper vendor in the mouth of the Beret spokesman said that he was "attempting to stir up trouble" to say, P.L. split. As the "o

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About a half hour after the demonstrators left Bevedere Park, a line of Deputies in riot gear tried to clear 1 block of Whittier Blvd., where a lot of shit was happening. Their attack was met by massive resistance, and they had to retreat. However, after this incident, the crowd broke up into smaller groups, and the action spread throughout the immediate area. Trash fires were set and a gas station near the sheriff's office was liberated by a group who began to make molotov cocktails. PEOPLE'S GAS! About this time, the Pan American National Bank was hit by fire bombs and damaged to the tune of \$15,000. A bail bond office across the street from the Sheriff's office suddenly blossomed into flames. It was followed by a garage nearby. When county firemen tried to put out the blazes, they were met with rocks, bottles, and a lot of revolutionary spirit.

The Sheriff of L.A. County said that he was using a "low profile" strategy. All that this means is that he was hiding his army away from the park, waiting to attack anyone who stepped out of line. He used 1000 Deputies who were armed with tear gas, buckshot, and revolvers. The L.A. County "authorities" continue to instigate open warfare in the Chicano community of East L.A. Our Chicano brothers and sisters in Southern California have consistently met attacks with strong resistance. Chicanos all over the country are fighting with increasing strength to defend their communities against racist attacks.

This week twenty more prisoners wrote the Tribe asking for free subscriptions. Most are nearby (Folsom, Susanville, San Quentin), but others came from Guam, Saskatoon and Tennessee. The word has gotten around to our sisters and brothers inside, and hundreds now receive the paper regularly, enabling thousands of prisoners to read it. Bread is always tight for us, so it would help a lot if anyone in a position to contribute some spare change could help us meet the cost of these free subs to prisoners. Thanks! Power and liberation to the captive audience!



MURTAGH

STILL REPREHENSIBLE

The trial of the NY Panther 21 continued January 20 after the recess caused by the illegal police strike. For the next two days, the DA desperately tried to rehabilitate the prosecution testimony of the preceding week which cross-examination had proved to be full of inconsistencies and improbabilities.

The prosecution's first witness was Detective Mercado who had arrived at the scene of the alleged shoot-out shortly after the event was supposed to have taken place. Mercade testified that all six shells fired from a pistol found at the scene of the alleged shoot-out were spent and that the casings remained in the cylinder. On cross-examination he admitted that no fingerprints had been found on the revolver. He also admitted that the rifle, allegedly found in the trunk of the Dodge by a police officer and already introduced into evidence, had never even been tested for fingerprints. He testified that there were five rifle shells, but only three were introduced and he said he did not know what had happened to the others. Neither he nor anyone else had initialled those shells which were offered, although that is routine procedure for identification. He also admitted that the Dodge Dart had been dusted for fingerprints, but that no identifiable ones had been found. In summary, then, the physical evidence offered was meaningless. Furthermore, the fact that no attempt had been made to check the rifle for fingerprints or mark its shells for identification certainly strengthened the hypothesis that the whole idea of "Operation Sniper" and the alleged shoot-out had been built up retrospectively to create a conspiracy charge.

At one point when the court had declared a recess and the jury had filed out Defense Counsel Lefcourt tried to

make an application for reinstatement of bail. (On December 28, Murtagh had, for no apparent reason, revoked bail on a temporary ten-day basis for those defendants held in jail, threatening to make the revocation permanent if the defendants and their counsel did not behave as he wished.)

Although twenty-two days had already elapsed, Murtagh's only response to Lefcourt's application was: "The Court is in recess; you are out of order." Lefcourt made several more attempts to raise the question, and at every attempt Murtagh repeated the same formula, each time more loudly than the time before. When court reconvened, Lefcourt renewed his application and Murtagh said it had to be made in writing. Lefcourt responded that the defense had not only already submitted the application in writing, but had also served the DA with a copy to which he had not yet responded. The Judge still refused to consider the question or even allow argument on it.

Murtagh opened the next day's session by announcing that he was seriously considering revoking bail for the defendants already out on bail. Defense Counsel Crain then continued the cross-examination of Mercado. Although the DA made no objection Murtagh sensed a danger to the prosecution's case in one line of questioning and suddenly interrupted it, declaring that it was his duty to prevent this waste of the jury's time.

The prosecution then called a police ballistics expert, Gunnar Erickson, in an attempt to make plausible the absurd story that Burns and Weems, allegedly chosen by the BPP to snipe at police officers across the Harlem River at a range of some 500 yards, were unable to hit patrolmen MacKenzie and Scorzello at a point blank range of less than five feet.

(According to police evidence the ten or twelve bullets fired had not only all missed their targets and subsequently disappeared, but had also failed to touch the police car parked directly behind the two patrolmen being fired at.)

Erickson testified with much technical doubletalk about the effect of "Flinching," "Recoil" and "Rapid Firing" in reducing effectiveness. He also testified that it was not necessary to be an expert marksman to hit a target at 500 yards if the rifle had proper sights. Cross-examination elicited the fact that of the three possible kinds of rifle sights the one allegedly chosen had the least effective and reliable kind. At one point during this damaging cross-examination Murtagh came to the rescue of the prosecution's case by taking over the questioning. The defense objections to this curious procedure were of course overruled.

The last prosecution witness called Thursday was Detective Sullivan from the police laboratory, introduced in an attempt to substantiate the fantastic story of Patrolman MacKenzie's summons pouch through which a bullet had miraculously passed without in any way damaging its contents. On January 14, 1971 — the day AFTER MacKenzie had been cross-examined on his nonsensical story — the DA had had Detective Sullivan make three tests of the pouch to see if he could find traces of nitro cellulose particles (gunpowder). Neither the chemical nor the instrumental tests revealed any such traces. The microscopic tests indicated, according to Detective Sullivan's direct testimony, that the holes were "most likely" bullet holes.

But before answering questions about the tests Sullivan had read his written report. When he began to read aloud from it defense counsel objected since the

report was not in evidence. It was offered in evidence and was, of course, passed to the defense counsel for examination before it was submitted to the jury. During their examination Murtagh repeatedly declared that the defense could "renew" their objection to the admission of the report, and Defense Counsel Bloom repeatedly responded that no objection to the report had been made. The reason for this little by-play soon became clear.

Completing their examination of the report the defense counsel said that they had no objection to its admission; that in fact they insisted it be shown to the jury and requested the jury to pay particular attention to paragraph 4, which stated that what the microscopic tests had demonstrated was "consistent with" the passage of a bullet through the pouch, not that the holes were "most likely" made by that means. On cross-examination Sullivan then admitted that if the tests had been conclusive he would have used a more positive formulation than "consistent with". He further testified without qualification that a bullet could not have passed through the pouch without injuring its contents.

At the close of the session Murtagh repeated his threat to revoke bail permanently for all the defendants, including those out on bail. He said he found the conduct of the defense counsel still reprehensible and "contemptuous" and denied the application for reinstatement and reduction of bail for those still held in prison. This is not the first time, unfortunately, that an American judge in a political trial has rendered his court contemptible by attacking counsel who are guilty only of vigorously defending their clients.

JOINT TREATY OF PEACE BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH VIETNAM AND NORTH VIETNAM

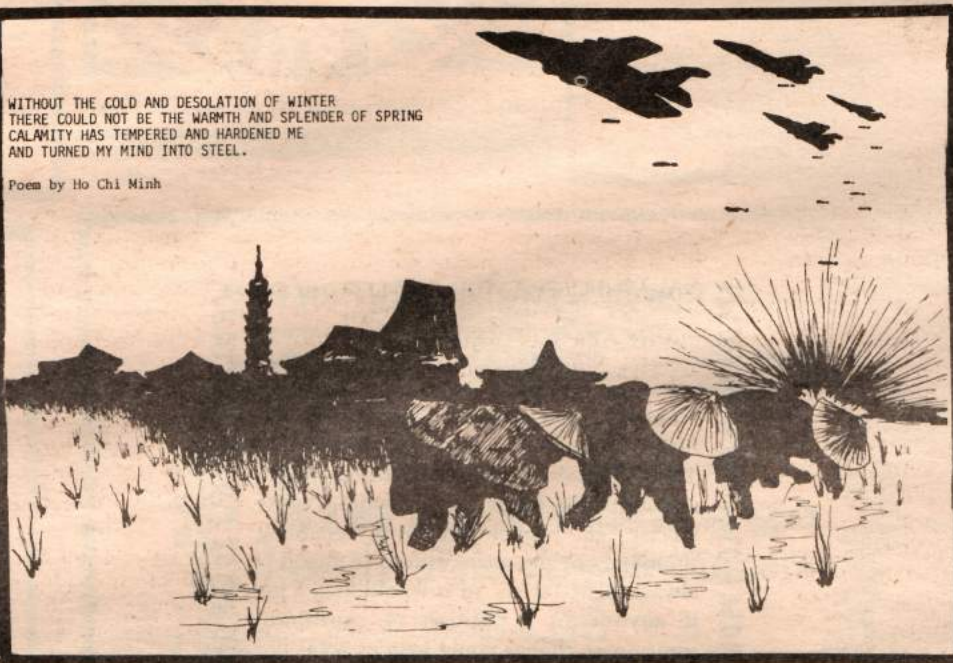
Be it known that the American and Vietnamese people are not enemies. The war is carried out in the names of the people of the United States and South Vietnam without our consent. It destroys the land and people of South Vietnam. It drains America of its resources, its youth and its honor.

We hereby agree to end the war on the following terms so that both peoples can live under the joy of independence and can devote themselves to building a society based on human equality and respect for the earth.

1. The Americans agree to immediate and total withdrawal from Vietnam and publicly to set the date by which all American forces will be removed.
The Vietnamese pledge that as soon as the United States government sets a date for total withdrawal:
2. They will enter discussions to secure the release of all American prisoners including pilots captured while bombing North Vietnam.
3. There will be an immediate cease fire between US forces and those led by the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam.
4. They will enter discussions of the procedures to guarantee the safety of all withdrawing troops.
5. The Americans pledge to end the imposition of Thieu-Ky-Khiem on the people of South Vietnam in order to insure their right to self-determination and so that all political prisoners can be released.
6. The Vietnamese pledge to form a provisional coalition government to organize democratic elections. All parties agree to respect the results of elections in which all South Vietnamese can participate freely without the presence of any foreign troops.
7. The South Vietnamese pledge to enter a discussion of procedures to guarantee the safety and political freedom of those South Vietnamese who have collaborated with the United States or with the US supported regime.
8. The Americans and Vietnamese agree to respect the independence, peace and neutrality of Laos and Cambodia in accord with the 1954 and 1962 Geneva Conventions and not interfere in the internal affairs of these two countries.
9. Upon these points of agreement we pledge to end the war and resolve all other questions in the spirit of self-determination and mutual respect for the independence and political freedom of the people of Vietnam and the United States.

By ratifying the agreement, we pledge to take whatever actions are appropriate to implement the terms of this joint treaty and to insure its acceptance by the government of the United States.

Signed . . .
United States National Students Association
South Vietnam National Union of Students
North Vietnam National Union of Students
South Vietnam Liberation Student Union



WITHOUT THE COLD AND DESOLATION OF WINTER
THERE COULD NOT BE THE WARMTH AND SPLENDOR OF SPRING
CALAMITY HAS TEMPERED AND HARDENED ME
AND TURNED MY MIND INTO STEEL.

Poem by Ho Chi Minh

Pittsburgh Fair witness/LWS

The Richmond Angela Davis Defense Committee will open its local headquarters at 520 Bissell Avenue, Richmond, with an office-warming and community dinner on February 5. The official opening will be at 10 a.m. and the dinner will begin at 6 p.m.

Interested persons should call 236-7447.

La Hora De Los Hornos
Argentine Revolutionary Film
being shown
this Fri. and Sat. nights
Harding Theatre
616 Divisadero, S.F.

CLOSE DOWN AMERIKA

!! NOW !!

There was a drug bust in Berkeley January 24. Two personal telephone directories were confiscated. There is now an agent who is using the numbers in those books to set up more busts. He says his name is Bill (sometimes John) and claims to be a friend or a friend of a friend from Seattle. He attempts to arrange a large deal either pounds of mescaline, grams of acid, or lots of weed. He says he is in Vallejo and will come to score the dope as soon as you have it in your possession. He knows nothing about prices and agrees to whatever you say. So far, no one has fallen for his rap, but one night alone he arranged two separate deals under the name Bill from Seattle.

He has been described as husky, young (in his twenties), short brown hair and wearing a very new brown fringe jacket and a T-shirt. He looks like the pig he is. So... be careful, warn your friends about his phone calls. I came within a hair of being busted by my lack of suspicion. (I did know a Bill and almost fell into the trap.)



Vietnam veterans from around the country converged on chilly Detroit this week. They came to testify at the Winter Soldier Investigation. Not surprisingly, the testimony showed that My Lai was no isolated incident.

The witnesses talked about incidents they'd either participated in or witnessed.

—Kicking hungry people in the face to keep them off garbage trucks.

—Shooting into crowds of civilians

—Pushing wounded prisoners — Viet Cong and civilians — out of helicopters.

—Shooting people attempting to surrender.

—Putting "heat wafers" into sandwiches and giving them to hungry Vietnamese children. These heat wafers burn their mouths and, if swallowed, their stomachs.

—"Mad Minutes" where a whole squad would line up and fire continuously in the direction of Vietnamese people.

Black GIs testified about racism within the military. How Black GIs often found themselves on KP or in positions to "humble" them. How they were generally the last called to go home.

The Investigation hoped to bring these atrocities to the consciousness of the

American people. But a sort of de facto news blackout has been operating. The news hasn't spread too far as yet.

They originally hoped to have Vietnamese testify, but they were denied visas. The location of Detroit was strategic, because of its proximity to Canada. They planned to broadcast the Vietnamese testimony over the radio from Canada to the U.S. But Trudeau's liberal/fascist government denied them visas too, saying it was just for "propaganda" purposes.

The conference closed with the Vietnam veterans calling for a TDA type of action when Laos is invaded. It read in part:

"We, as veterans of the War in Vietnam, give notice that if Laos is attacked we will respond at once. We call for mass civil disobedience to take place all over this country. We call for industry to shut down, students to close the schools, brothers and sisters in uniform to close military bases all over the world, the antiwar movement to close down cities all over America. We call for Americans to close down America until the Nixon administration responds to the will of the people of the world. Now, not March 1 or April 1 or May 1, but NOW!

PIECE OF PEACE LE'S



This weekend in Ann Arbor anti-war activists from all over the country will get together to start building for a People's Peace Treaty between the Vietnamese and the American People.

The treaty was worked out by American and Vietnamese students during National Student Association visits to Hanoi, Saigon, Hue and Paris. The treaty has been endorsed by the National Coalition Against War, Racism and Repression, representing 119 organizations and 12 collectives. Groups as diverse as the Black Panthers, Chicano Moratorium, Women's strike for Peace, and Clergy and Laymen Concerned about the War are pushing the Treaty.

Inside South Vietnam forces are moving in a direction that the peace Treaty can pick up on. After a year of intense activity in the cities which mobilized all segments of the population the Popular Front for the Defense of Peace was formed last November 7. On January 3 of this year, 6 million Vietnamese held prayer ceremonies demanding peace on a program very similar to the PRG's 8-point program.

A massive mobilization is being planned in Washington D.C., for May 1, 1971, the day after the anniversary of the Cambodian invasion, a target date for the Administration in its 'Vietnamization' campaign, and a historical date of struggle for the international movement.

But the heaviest reason for choosing

May 1 has to do with the timetable of action in the war itself. It seems clear that both the United States government and the Indochinese People's Front intend to move strongly this winter and spring. This spring the popular forces will be stronger politically than in 1963, when Diem was overthrown, and stronger militarily than in 1968, when the Tet offensive marked the opening of the decisive struggle for the cities. At both of those times, one critical element missing from the balance was the American movement.

On the other hand, last spring's response to the Cambodian invasion obviously forced the government to its present position of trying to cover up the invasion of Laos and the re-escalation against North Vietnam. Combined actions by different sections of the American people could make a decisive difference this year. With the elections in South Vietnam coming up this fall and in the U.S. next fall, it is obvious that some major changes are going to have to come down pretty soon.

However, there are lots of problems with the Peace Treaty idea. For one thing, many people are not going to get excited about another petition, even though it is not the same as nicely asking the United States government to end the war. For another, the idea of more mass mobilizations has many drawbacks in terms of the political and military gains that can be made by our movement at

this time. this is especially true for those of us on the west coast who do not really have access to Washington or even Kent, where a New Nation Pow-Wow is being called for May 4, the anniversary of the shootings, to coincide with an official "memorial service." Women who have been talking about an anti-war women's demonstration at the Pentagon on March 8, International Women's Day, have encountered the same problem: how to integrate West Coast people into one national action.

Also, the turn by many movement people toward less grandiose plans and

more long-term view of revolutionary activity and building ourselves and our communities is directly challenged by the necessities of the war, whether it is this coming spring, the present Laos invasion or last winter's invasion and bombing of North Vietnam. We haven't at all resolved this contradiction as far as defending Bobby Seale, Angela Davis, and other prisoners who have to get support NOW. The same problems exist for our expressing solidarity with the Indochinese. Hopefully the Peace Treaty can be an umbrella broad enough to allow people to move creatively underneath it.



support service for prisoners and their families, is providing free transportation for persons wishing to visit at the following prisons and jails:

(on a regular basis)

San Quentin
San Bruno
Vacaville
Folsom
Susanville
Soledad
(irregularly, depending upon demand)
Santa Rita
Crystal Creek
Iron Mine Camp
San Luis Obispo
Black Mountain

We will also be able to provide transportation to other locations when requested. All rides are provided on a first-come, first-served basis, depending on availability. Housing is also available at many places, either free or low cost. If you need a ride, or can provide one to help others, please call us or drop us a note

Women's Benefit

All women are invited to a benefit-celebration for women's liberation. There will be films, poetry readings, a karate demonstration, and photography exhibitions by sisters from San Francisco Women's Liberation. It will be held on Sunday, February 7, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the new Women's Center, in Project One, at 1380 Howard (at 10th Street). Child care will be provided. A contribution of \$1.50 for the new Women's Center will be requested.

For further information, phone 861-2114.

FILMMAKERS WORKSHOP

An introduction to starting a film, camera operation, types of raw film and its use, editing and splicing, animation, developing, exposure, production techniques, color control, filters, sound and lighting, plus things to come.

The Workshop is set up to aid both beginners and advanced filmmakers. The method of instruction is to produce one short movie each week which will allow the student to gain knowledge of any working parts of filmmaking. A student could direct one week, operate the camera the next, or act another week.

You do not need previous experience or equipment to attend the workshop. A seminar is held on Wednesday nights at 8 p.m. Admission is one dollar. Shooting will take place on Sundays.

The workshop will also cover the history of film, film as art, and view works by other filmmakers.

It meets Wednesdays, 8 p.m. at 1959 Oak, Number 6, San Francisco. 751-9137. Instructor: Carl Mayberry.

The Haight-Ashbury Switchboard is expanding! Our present quarters are becoming crowded — we are wrapping telephone cords around our necks, pasting addresses on our backs, and gasping into each other's beers! We have come up with the only solution — WE MUST MOVE!

The cost will be about \$300, and we are in need of your help! — to lease a larger store on Haight Street, have our telephones installed, and settle all remaining bills. We also need lumber, paint and brushes, and any kind of office supplies.

Your donations are tax deductible and we will furnish you a receipt with a big smile. We must either GROW or go under. REMEMBER — IF YOU DON'T DO IT — IT WON'T GET DONE. We're at 1826 Fell Street and you can call at 387-7000.

Northbrae Community Church will hold its next bimonthly waste recycling project on Saturday and Sunday, February 6 and 7. On these two days all East Bay residents are encouraged to bring tin and aluminum cans, glass, and newspapers to the church, where they will be collected in bins for recycling. The church is located at The Alameda and Los Angeles Street in Berkeley, and will be accepting material from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Materials should be separated before they are brought to the Church. All-aluminum cans have molded bottoms, are seamless, and are non-magnetic. They can be crushed easily by foot. Tin cans should be rinsed out and have the label removed. They can be flattened easily if the bottom is removed with a can opener. Most beer and soft drink cans are tin with aluminum tops and should be crushed and kept separate.

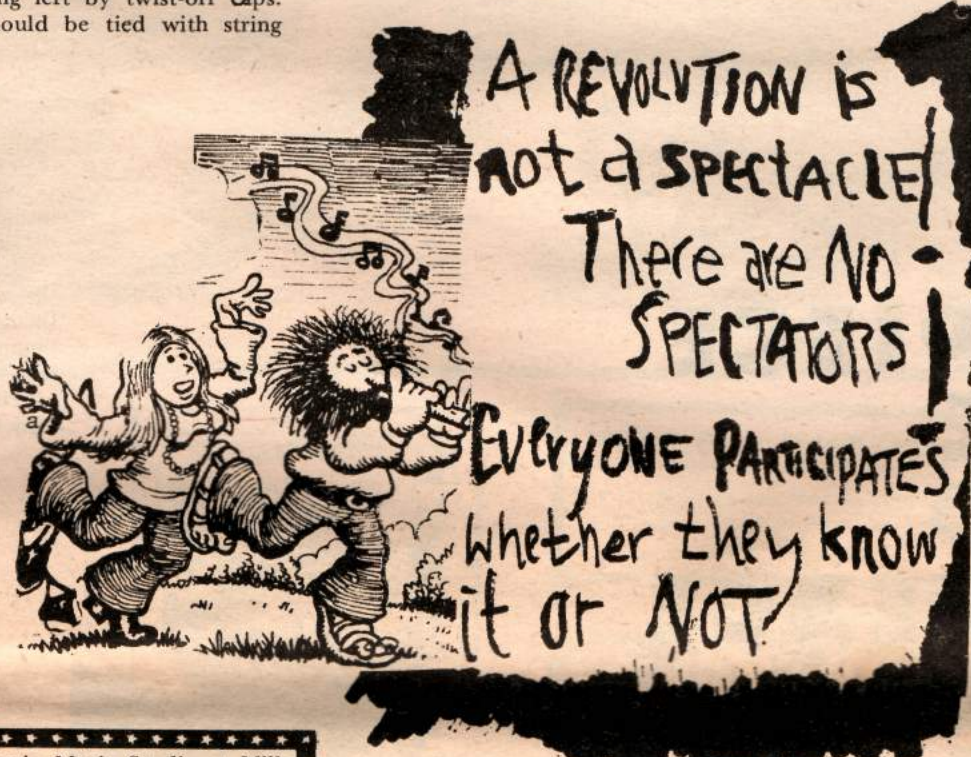
All glass jars and bottles will be accepted if they are rinsed and free of labels or metal. Be sure to remove the small metal ring left by twist-off caps. Newspapers should be tied with string into bundles.

The State of Nevada has cut off welfare money from 3,000 women and children and cut the budgets of 4,000 others. The State Welfare Department claims that they (50% of the welfare recipients) were getting their benefits illegally.

A Welfare Rights team found that in almost every case it investigated, there was no basis for cutting off welfare. In fact, many of the recipients had been getting less than they were legally entitled to. Moreover, the investigators found flagrant violations of the rights of recipients in every case. Benefits were cut off before providing for appeal hearings.

The National Welfare Rights Organization is recruiting lawyers, social workers, and recipients to go to Nevada and help get people reinstated. They regard Nevada's action as the beginning of repression against welfare recipients across the country.

Donations can be sent to Operation Nevada, National Welfare Rights Organization, 1419 H. Street, N. W., Washington, D C 20005.



The Electronic Music Studio at Mills College has studio facilities available for Bay Area composers, musicians, film makers, and groups at large. These facilities include a Moog synthesizer, Hammond (organ) synthesizer III, 16 mm film editing studio, and a mixing and dubbing studio. The rates seem reasonable and include the use of special sound accessories and the assistance of a studio technician.

For more information call 632-2700, ext. 248 or 635-7620.

Now is the time for all good people to come to the aid of themselves; therefore NOBULL, a nongallery, is calling artists for its occupation.

In a time and place where the museum, gallery and critic use them as entertainers and investments, NOBULL calls artist to take their position as creators, at the center of the art universe.

A two week Declaration of Independence opens Nobull for all artists from Feb. 5 through 20. Shows to follow will then be formed by individuals or groups who want to create their own shows according to their own image.

Nobull opens as a nongallery FOR artists, to be molded and acted upon BY artists, for the contact and desires of ALL of the people.

People of Oakland Unite

We are a collective that feel a need for more solidarity between all the various groups in Oakland that consider themselves part of the "left." Till now, we have all been acting independently in doing our "things". We think that if all of us got together we could become more effective in furthering the cause of revolution in Oakland.

Sunday, February 14, at 2:00 p.m. (Valentine's Day) we would like to have a revolutionary gathering with all of us present. It will be held at the GI coffeehouse, the Pentagon (690 7th Street) in Oakland.

We hope that out of this gathering some ideas can be generated as to what are the needs of the Oakland community, how can we go about fulfilling those needs, and also set up some better communications between all of us. Possibly, we could form a united front in Oakland to better respond to the needs of the people and further the cause of revolution. For more information, call 893-4445.

All power to the people of Oakland.

There is a new food conspiracy starting up in the vicinity of Merritt College. We need people and energy to get it together. There will be a meeting Saturday morning at 11 A.M. at 580 58th St. For more information, phone 652-5605.

Opening hours: Monday through Saturday (12 to 4), Monday and Friday nights (8 to 10)
Location: 15 Lafayette, S.F. (between S. Van Ness and 11th, and Mission and Howard)
Phone: 552-0586

pain:

As a young man

I would write maudlin
self-indulgent poetry

I would take all the pain seriously--
(I would even take happiness seriously
which is no way to take happiness)

I would run to keep up with happiness
and fall out of breath. But

I would dwell in pain
and laugh at my endurance.

The wounds piled up.

Sometimes I would skin my knee
and sometimes I would take
daggers into my breast.
Sometimes I would pick the scabs
Sometimes I would let it bleed.

But when I became a revolutionary
I learned to universalise everything
One felt pain--it is true.
One felt happiness.
But what is pain and happiness
compared to the suffering masses?

As a young man

I would no longer write maudlin
self-indulgent poetry

I would breeze along
in a light polemical style

I would hate PL
(I still do)

And at rallies I would yell

KILL THE PIGS!
I AM A REVOLUTIONARY!
etc.

The difference between women and men
(I was told)
is that women personalise everything
while men objectify. But

one day it dawned on me
that I
was objectively subjective.
I got very defensive

'My God' I said
(I still do)

I'm going to lose my class analysis

I'm going to hate only those pigs which beat me up
I'm going to be unaffected
by anything I can't see.

I discovered in certain respects

I was a woman

But yet as a man

I had the potential for self-realisation
So I wrote to another woman

(by way of consolation)

'Your breasts are whiter than the skulls of
the greatest men in history--and soft,
softer than the moss which crowns their graves'

Some consolation!

or women.

Sexism is brutal! And art is perverted.
And artists.

But what do women do?

Wrench bulging breasts...become maudlin,
self-indulgent....?

What do they do denied self-
realisation.....

Become indolent, castrating, equivocal?

What do women do with all their feeling....

their tyrannies

their subjugation, do they keep internalising forever?

NO.

It is going to be a women's revolution
YES!
And there is no way to join it opportunistically.
NO.

NO---

BLESSE OBLIGE

will be crushed by the sudden realisation
that in order to join this revolution

we will not close off feeling

NO

Matter how many times we're hurt

NO

ONE will escape feeling

we will be like flowers
And like flowers we will be fragile

agonising

opening suddenly in bursts,
facing days of pain.

We will find out (men)
the scar tissue will harden

into the same soft
indefensible mass.....

It is strength
though in women men called it
endurance!
it is what is needed
in protracted struggle

We must understand the pain
and the suffering masses.

YES.

What is there to understand about pain?
That it hurts.

And the masses?

We are them.

YES.

And it hurts.

—craig pyes

The real difference between men and women
after all the other differences have been resolved
is a woman's refusal to deny her feelings
Men with feeling become (usually) artists
or killed or dead or both

AN OPEN LETTER

11/1981 FEB 5-12

eldridge on tim & rosemary

We want people to gather their wits, to sober up, and get down to the serious business of destroying the Babylonian empire.

This is a transcript of the tape made by Eldridge Cleaver in Algiers, after the Inter-Communal Section of the Black Panther Party "busted" Timothy and Rosemary Leary.

Today is January 12, 1971. Since September of 1970, Dr. Timothy Leary and his wife Rosemary have been with us here in the Inter-Communal Section of the Black Panther Party in Algeria. During that time, much confusion has been generated, partly because of our own silence on the subject, as to the relationship between the Black Panther Party and Dr. Leary and his wife.

I want to take this opportunity to set forth our position on that and also to make a few observations on the drug culture as a whole inside the United States specifically, as it relates to the process of carrying out the revolutionary struggle against the fascist imperialist empire of the United States of America.

A couple of months ago, I was talking to Dr. Leary about... how we would integrate him into our operation here... how he could function, and specifically how he could be projected to the press in terms of his public image... He stated that he thought that he should be projected as the "Aristotle" or the "Socrates" or the "Sartre" of the American revolution. I think that kind of symbolizes... how Dr. Leary has constantly tried to relate to us. He seems to take himself seriously as the high priest of the revolution; and in some sense sees himself as sort of a secular god... around which the revolutionary movement inside the United States revolves.

And also, after many discussions with him on the subject of drugs and the relevancy of drugs, specifically LSD, as a weapon in the revolutionary struggle, I've come to conclude that Dr. Leary is irrevocably wed to the idea of the beneficial aspects of LSD in the context of the revolutionary movement... He would rather die than give up the idea of changing American society by dosing everyone with LSD. Well, this is not a principle or a suggestion that we in the Black Panther Party can in any way endorse, because we think it's absurd and unrealistic as an approach to carrying out our struggle.

Leary seems content to continue advising people to "Turn on, tune in and drop out," and he really means it when he says that freedom means getting high. This is in direct conflict with the needs of the American revolution... We need people with clear heads, sober people who have their wits about them, because we're confronted with murderous fascist pigs who will stop at nothing and who have

to confine them there until further notice....

At one point, he was talking to Rosemary about the situation, and he said, "They're just some niggers flexing their muscles." The point is, that using drugs as an escape, as a way of dealing with the horrible reality of oppression in Babylon, has the harmful side-effect of leaving many contradictions unresolved... We find that although he's able to make political gestures and political statements, essentially the man is apolitical, and opportunist, and he has a very deep strain of white racism

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in him, which comes out in surprising forms, and which he thinks goes undetected. And, although I have no pretensions of being a psychologist or a psychiatrist, it has become very clear to me that there's something seriously wrong with both Dr. Leary and his wife's brains. I attribute this to the uncountable number of acid trips that they have taken, and it makes me very sad... I like Leary and Rosemary, but objectively I find them both to be non-functional in a political context; not helpful, and really we have grown to look upon them sort of as patients, as responsibilities that we have to take care of. They're very dangerous people, because one thing LSD has clearly done is destroyed their ability to make judgements, particularly in the area of security, so that we are forced to constantly use manpower to watch them; we've had to separate them from various enemies that they've gotten themselves involved with.

Dr. Leary seems to wither away without an audience. He needs people around him who have a worshipful attitude towards him... And in this part of the world, such gods don't have ready audiences at hand. So that Leary scrapes around for any audience that he can assemble, even an audience of CIA agents masquerading as hippies and tourists.

...We do not regret for one moment that we took on the case of Timothy Leary. But we're only now beginning to fully realize the heavy burden that we picked up... And to all those who look to Dr. Leary for inspiration or even leadership, we want to say that your god is dead, because his mind has been blown by acid. If you think that by turning in, turning on and dropping out you're improving the situation, that you're changing society, it's very clear that you're doing nothing except destroying your own brain and strengthening the hands of our enemy. In this day and time when the

cold revolutionaries, motivated by revolutionary love, men and women who fit the description given by Comrade Che Guevara: "cool, calculating killing machines to be turned against the enemy," people who have a firm ideological foundation, who know how to implement their ideology for the purpose of carrying out this revolution.

We had to bust Timothy and Rosemary. We have to take care of Timothy and Rosemary, and we will do that, too. As long as Timothy and Rosemary remain in Algeria, they will have the protection of the Inter-Communal Section of the Black Panther Party, and that's the only protection that they have. They don't understand that, but we do -- our very survival is dependent

upon a political situation, and that's all, because the U.S. imperialists, the fascists, have armies of agents scrounging

and crawling all over the planet earth, making trouble for progressive forces, and they have finally focused in on us here, and they're trying to destroy us here. It's for that reason that we can no longer tolerate this stupidity from

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Leary, and by busting him we're letting him know that we're serious. He sees this as a contradiction. He thinks that a prison is a prison, confinement is confinement. I find it ironical myself, having spent long years in prison and not relating to imprisonment or confinement, but yet finding myself in the position where I had to make the decision to bust Timothy Leary. I say this half joking, because he will be released tomorrow...

This machinery that we have in our hands is revolutionary machinery, and Leary has received a revolutionary bust. He escaped from a reactionary bust in

Babylon, came to Algeria, and now he has suffered a revolutionary bust. We see in Leary's behavior, his attitude, a good example of the opportunism of the white section of the American revolutionary movement, something

has to be stopped.

We hope that the Weathermen have a chance to see and hear this. We want to say, right-on brothers and sisters, we took upon ourselves Timothy and Rosemary at your request, in order to demonstrate our love and solidarity for you and our great, undying respect for your beautiful work. And we say, keep it up. But we also want to say that we think it is a mistake when you suggest or advise people to turn to acid as a revolutionary weapon... And we're not speaking out of ignorance. Some of us have taken trips, to check it out, and we know what it's about... And we think that it would be good, if you could define your position on the relevancy of this whole drug culture in our struggle against the death culture of Babylon, because in terms of protracted struggle, and in the long-term view, the drug culture is part and parcel of the death culture, and it's a result of the pressure of the Babylonian social system on people that forces them to seek escape from the awful confrontation that is upon us.

What I'm saying here also applies to the Jerry Rubins, the Stew Alperis and the Abbie Hoffmans and the whole silly, psychedelic drug culture, quasi-political movement of which they are part, and of which we have been in the past, which we supported in the past because it was our judgement that at that time, this is what we had to work with, from white America.

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so much manpower at their disposal...

... When the Black Panther Party condemns the use of harmful drugs, we do not include marijuana in that category, because there are many of us who like to get high on marijuana once in a while. But we don't advocate a constant state of being high, and we don't advocate people indulging in revolutionary activity while under the influence of drugs of any type. That is harmful to our cause, and the use of drugs under the present circumstances should be viewed as counter-revolutionary activity.

We do recognize the progressive role played in the past by the whole youth, drug, culture in the United States. It was very useful some years ago when people rebelled against the straight-jacket rules and regulations of Babylonian society by turning away from the standards and values of that society, and by shattering to smithereens those values by getting high, freaking out, freaking off... But things have changed since then... We want people to gather their wits, to sober up, and get down to the serious business of destroying the Babylonian empire....

On January the 9th of 1971, I issued an order to Field Marshall D.C., who works in our Inter-communal Section here in Algeria, to go to Leary's apartment and to take Leary and his wife Rosemary to another location and

enemy no longer needs our labor power, when the enemy has machines to replace men, they would very much like to have everybody waking around with their minds blown away by acid, so that they could continue to run their game down on a mass of robots.

... That's not the future that we are fighting and dying for. Since Leary has been in Algeria, there have been many Hippies and Yippies and so forth tripping over here, making their pilgrimage to see their god. And with them they bring sacrificial gifts to their god, and we want them to know that it's not acceptable to us here, and you will not receive a warm or happy welcome if you show up here coming out of that bag. What I'm saying here also applies to the Jerry Rubins, the Stew Alperis and the Abbie Hoffmans and the whole silly, psychedelic drug culture, quasi-political movement of which they are part, and of which we have been in the past, which we allied ourselves with in the past, which we supported in the past because it was our judgement that at that time, this is what we had to work with, from white America.

But we're finished with relating to this madness, we're through tolerating this madness, and we want everybody to know that the serious work of up-rooting and destroying the empire of Babylon has to be dealt with. We want it dealt with in the only way that it can be dealt with, by sober, stone-

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tim's letter, interview w/eldridge

Michael Zwerin
Village Voice

At 7:50 pm on Saturday, January 9, Timothy and Rosemary Leary suffered what Eldridge Cleaver termed "a revolutionary bust." Four of Cleaver's Panther staff entered the Learys' Algiers apartment shortly before their dinner guests were due. This was to have been the Learys' first dinner party, and it was the immediate reason for the bust.

"It makes me very sad to have had to do this," Cleaver said. "I've been in jail, been unable to relate to it, and I don't like being a jailer. But we cannot afford to jeopardize our work toward revolution in Babylon. We are hoping to teach Timothy a lesson."

The Learys wrote Cleaver a letter on their third day of confinement. To explain certain passages in the following interview, I quote from it: "In reviewing our actions and yours since our arrival in Algeria, it is clear that we have been guilty of unnecessary humility and 'Tomism.' We have followed a course of patient toleration of your undisciplined and eccentric behavior. We have not complained as vigorously as we should have about the extraordinary series of monumental blunders you have whimsically committed which have jeopardized the goals of our work, and our lives. I refer here, among other things, to the 'Miss Dohrn' fabrication... (Four months ago, when the Learys first arrived, Cleaver let it drop that a "Miss Dohrn" was with them, implying Bernadine not Jennifer)... the Al Fatah fiasco, the blowing of my passport cover, public statements by you which violate the Philadelphia Convention, the statements of Huey, our agreements, and your own beliefs...."

"... Since September 26, in spite of numerous requests we have never

Leary: No human being can live in a society where rules, obligations and rights are undefined, vaguely general, and subject to whim of authority.

been able to sit down and discuss with you what we could and should do here. Your original answer to this question was 'Do your own thing,' which to us meant live quietly and write the story of our political evolution....

"... At the time of the invasion of our home, we were told by (Panther Field Marshal) D.C. that the charges against us would be explained to us and that we could phone our deserted dinner guests. But then we were told 'There is no lawyer, no bail, and no phone call.' Since then we have not been told what actions, if any, real or imagined, on our part, or on the part of others, has provoked your irritation or led to your totally totalitarian behavior.

"... Will you meet with us, discuss, and set down in writing the rules, obligations, and rights under which we shall live? No human being can live in a society where rules, obligations, and rights are undefined, vaguely general, and subject to whim of authority. If

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the obligations are exorbitant, the rules intolerably restrictive, then we shall tell you. If our differences are so great that friendly discussions cannot resolve them, we shall notify you at once and start making arrangements to move to another country...."

The letter concludes: "... Eldridge, let us relegate our mutual dissatisfactions to the past, learn from our mistakes, and start today, January 12, 1971, to show the world a New Model of Sanity, Balance, Union, Tolerance, Sharing, Strength, and Courage."

I delivered the letter. Eldridge reacted negatively and, a few hours later, he called me into a back room of the Panther headquarters to hear a taped statement he had made, I gathered, in the interim.

The Learys were released on Wednesday, after four days in "jail", unharmed but puzzled, uptight, tired, and disillusioned.

The following interview was two days after the "affair." It was the first time they'd talked since.

ZWERIN: Eldridge, why did you make that tape? Why did you make the "bust" public? Aren't you afraid of

Cleaver: The way they (Leary's constituency) are dealing with it (the system of oppression) now is ultimately passive. It rejects the system, it condemns the system, but it does not physically demolish the system.



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splitting the revolutionary movement unnecessarily?

CLEAVER: I made it public because I'm interested in pulling together what is already a fragmented movement. The trend these days is toward unity in the American revolutionary movement, and our needs, the demands of the situation are also for unity. It's my opinion that

Cleaver: There's nothing in the tape that said we were through with Timothy and Rosemary. We're through with certain types of behavior.

a continuation of this whole "trip" approach to the revolution, substituting magic wands and magic drugs for cold, calculating confrontation with reality is an obstacle to the further development of the unification and the strength of our movement.

ZWERIN: Tim, now that you've been in Algeria four months, do you still feel the same about your motto "Turn on, tune in, drop out"?

LEARY: I stopped talking about drugs about two years before my arrest. I haven't talked about drugs since coming to Algiers, and I have no need or desire to talk about drugs. Everything I've said or thought or wrote about drugs is already published in books, and science and history will have to deal with those theories, as they deal with all theories. The one general statement I made about drugs was that there are drugs which can put your consciousness at any level to which you want your consciousness to be put, and it's up to the person and the society to work out this control of consciousness. So that, since I've been in Algiers, and today, I would let Eldridge Cleaver talk about the use of drugs... how drugs can or cannot help the revolutionary struggle.

In the last four months, nobody asked me questions about drugs when they interview, or call with questions. The questions mainly concern bombs. And since Rosemary and I have been in Algiers we've concerned ourselves not with drugs but with two questions: the wise use of arms to defend freedom and Women's Liberation.

CLEAVER: I'd like to talk more

about Timothy's slogan, or motto, "Turn on, tune in, and drop out." I think that all of this must be looked at within the context of time. Several years ago, as I stated on the tape in question, what Timothy was doing was very progressive, it had an uprooting effect, a jarring effect, and it was part of the long process of people turning away and rejecting the values of Babylonian society. Which was an essential, unavoidable step that had to be taken before people could move on to the other phases of destroying and rebuilding a society for us to live in. You see?

And I think that Jerry Rubin, Abbie Hoffman, Stew Albert, Allen Ginsberg... all down the line, this whole bag, this whole wave of people who are dealing with those values, dealing essentially with the cultural revolution in the United States, particularly among whites....

ZWERIN: All of the people you mentioned are white....

CLEAVER: But they did have an effect on other people also, although principally on whites. The work they did was very useful work, but it's a tactical approach to a problem, see? I view what they were doing ONLY as tactical. I think it has to be categorized as a particular approach to a problem to which other people were making different approaches. You see? I think their approach was very effective at that time, but that time is gone, that work is done, and it is necessary for people to re-focus themselves for an appropriate attack on the system under the conditions that exist today. And I think the approach that is associated with Timothy... I'm only LOOSELY

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lumping him with Jerry Rubin, Abbie Hoffman, and so forth, loosely lumping him you see. But I think that whole spectrum of activity and behavior is passé and it needs to be definitely understood by ALL that it's passé, and relegated off the scene because it creates confusion, and it creates diversion and it perpetuates the divisions and factionalism in the movement that we've been talking about.

ZWERIN: Tim, you never did answer my question directly. Have you reconsidered the slogan "Turn on, tune in, drop out."

LEARY: The Mantra....

CLEAVER: The what?

LEARY: The Mantra... or slogan. I have not used that slogan for three years.

ZWERIN: You're stuck with it, I guess.

CLEAVER: But you HAVE, Timothy. What about the button you wore when you took the trip to Lebanon? You had it on the front of your cap: "Turn on, tune in, drop out." And I myself asked you to take it off at the airport. How do you fit that into saying you haven't used the slogan in several years? That was certainly a use of it, at a very crucial moment.

LEARY: Uh... I saw it could be misunderstood, and took it off.

CLEAVER: That's the whole point, see? The point is that, uh... there are many things we do that become habitual, that even become unconscious, or that even to us become irrelevant, but that have effects around you, see? And searching on the question of the bust, I had hoped somehow to penetrate or to shake Timothy up, you know? So he could consider some of these things

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ZWERIN: Eldridge, you said on that tape that, as a non-expert, the Learys in your opinion had blown their minds with too much acid. Has there been anything in their behavior, since they've been here, that drew you to that conclusion?

CLEAVER: Yeah I think that every aspect of their behavior is influenced by this. Because you cannot separate your general behavior from your mental position. I'm only concerned with those aspects of this behavior that touch on the political arena. You see? There are some aspects of behavior which, while I may or may not agree

with them, don't cause any problems, you see, because they are not part of this public realm we have to deal with. But only when we're dealing with behavior that has political consequences, or that has security repercussions, and it may even be that we place the security element above the political element because the political element can always be dealt with later while the security area must be dealt with con-

stantly and failure to do so can bring about disaster.

ZWERIN: Has anything the Learys done blown security? Or endangered security?

CLEAVER: Yes. Yes, yes. I think this is a general pattern that we're talking about. Particular incidents may seem picayune, may seem not enough to justify the drastic action that was taken. One of the most serious incidents in my opinion was when Timothy and Rosemary expressed the desire to go down to the desert. And I told them there were reasons why they should stick around, and not go. And there were reasons. And maybe a week later... thereafter, they made this trip. They did not tell me about it because, as they said to someone else, I probably would have stopped them from going. We're dealing not only with actions of commission, we're dealing with omission. You see? We're dealing with the

contacts Timothy has made here, the confidences he has invested in certain people, whom I consider to be dangerous, it concerns loose talking to various people, statements against our Party, against our work here, it concerns racist attitudes expressed by Timothy concerning us here that create much misunderstanding, as these things are rumored about, talked about by other people, and it concerns the people whom Timothy has had come over and see him, and how they arrive here.

ZWERIN: Tim, can you see in hindsight that possibly that dinner party was an error in judgment?

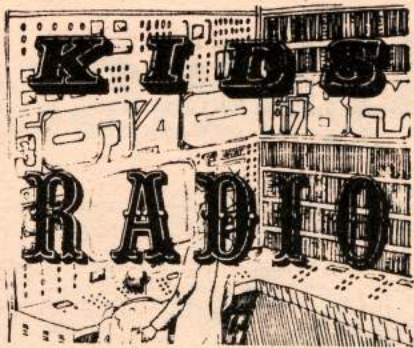
LEARY: Yes. Oh yeah!

CLEAVER: Not a dinner party per se. But the composition of the guests. I'm not opposed to social gatherings. I'm speaking strictly of the composition of people invited. Had he invited people who presented no security question, no one would have ever said anything. I think that Timothy will confirm that, ever since he has been here, everything that I have asked him to do in terms of restraint has been strictly political or security. Which really are the same. If there was something I asked you to do that bordered on some other area, I would like to know about it. Because I don't know about it.

ZWERIN: (to Tim) Is there anything?

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Both of the articles on Leary's "bust" have been extensively cut because of their length. We have done it in a way that we feel does not change their content. Articles talking more about the issues raised by this will appear next week.



We have a new radio station in the South Campus area called KLFR. KLFR broadcasts on 100 mw (1/10 watts) so that the FCC wouldn't bust our heads open.

Many kids in our community have walkie-talkies. We broadcast on Ch. 9 (27.065 mc/s) so that they can pick us up easily. WE also broadcast on 26.8 mc/s (26,800 kcls) which is a (are you ready?) a hidden frequency.

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We go on the air at any of those two frequencies around 12 or 12.30 p.m. on weekdays and god knows when on weekends.

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If there are any so-called "Left-wing Radical groups" in the community who want to get on an underground radio station, try us at 845-6690



Photo: Ilka Hartmann

ahem...

Just a not-so-minor note. One of those human things that happens in the midst of it all, to keep reminding you that it's all worth it: in the early morning hours, in the wake of the statements, we tried to call Eldridge in Algiers. We didn't get through.

But amidst the periodic waiting of operators calling back, there was one extra ring of the phone. At first I couldn't understand why she called. The operator was only repeating some message about the connection that we'd heard five minutes before.

But then the sister, buried on some switchboard in the middle of Ma Bell, dropped her voice. Dropped the official tone and said softly —

"Would you do me a favor?"

"Sure," I said.

"Would you tell Brother Cleaver to take care of himself..." And what can you say but a quiet "... Yes."



A working collective is coming together to draw up a proposal for a women's bus. Present plans encompass both the need for transportation and education of the broader women community.

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SOLEDAD

The names were changed but the innocent were in no way protected at Soledad this week. D.A. William Curtis, in office only one week, dropped murder charges on four of the Soledad 7, charged with the July killing of guard William Shull. He also requested that conspiracy charges against all 7 be dropped.

This leaves Jesse Phillips, 20, James Wagner, 28, and Roosevelt Williams, 27, charged with murder, carrying a mandatory death penalty if convicted. And it means that the other 4 brothers have been held for half a year in isolation on the basis of nothing except the prison administration's repressive hatred of black people.

Patrick Hallinan, lawyer for the 7, said to the Tribe: "I think the D.A. was withdrawing to a smaller perimeter of defense because his ramparts were falling into the moat. The case stunk 6 weeks

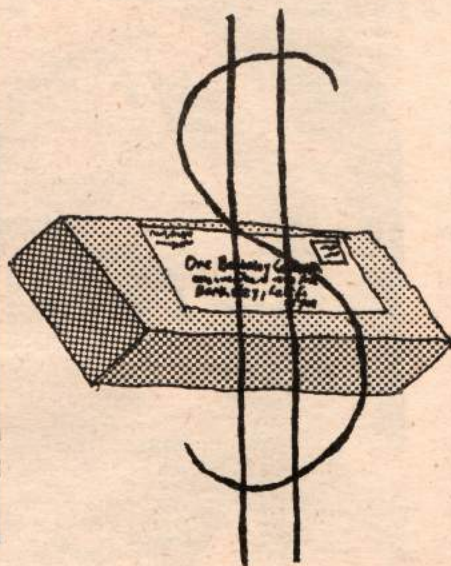
ago, and it stunk last week. What happened is someone in the D.A.'s office cleared their nose and smelled it and they had to do something about it."

Meanwhile, the war at Soledad between the prisoners and their oppressors goes on. Monday, two guards were stabbed while bringing food to the prisoners of O-Wing. O-Wing is the maximum security area where prisoners are locked in their cells 23½ hours a day.

The guards were not seriously injured. Two brothers, Raymond Marquez, 22, a Chicano from San Mateo County serving time for second degree murder, and Edward Whiteside, a black serving a robbery term from L.A., are being held in the case. As usual, there's been a news blackout on the details.

—FREE ALL PRISONERS.

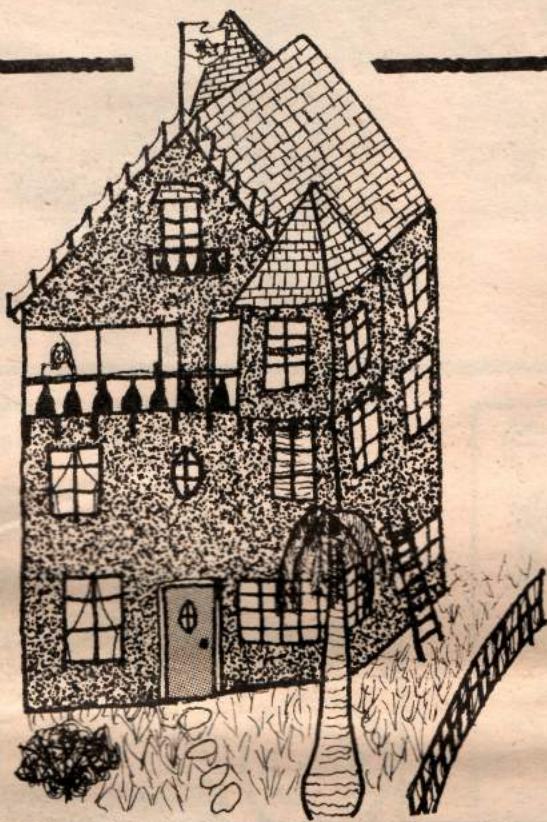
VOTE HEAVY



The "One Berkeley Committee" opposing Community Control of Police has sent a mass mailing to every resident of Berkeley. Included in this mailing is a return envelope that commits them to pay the postage on anything you mail them. They have access to very large supplies of money in their attempt to maintain the police under the control of white male businessmen and politicians.

Some people have thought it would be nice to waste as much of their money as possible. They advocate filling the envelopes with scrap metal or other heavy items and mailing them. An envelope attached to a brick or other heavy object and placed in a mailbox will be delivered at first class rates.

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Craftsmen who make their own products are by law allowed to get free permits to sell on the streets merely by registering with the Tax Office. But people trying to do this are sent to the Police Department where they are photographed, fingerprinted, and told that the pigs will think about it. To the best of the artists' knowledge, the last permit was issued three years ago.

To fight the harassment the SF Street Artists Guild has been formed. They are appealing cases in the courts, and getting signatures on a petition asking the city to stop harassing them and to permit them to use all thoroughfares, provided they don't interfere with others. They have over 1200 signatures so far. People who dig art and music in the streets and want to help should call Bill at 261-4062 in Berkeley or Steve at 864-1713 in S.F.



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One of the few unions in this country which is organized and led by women is AFSCME local 1695 (non-academic employees) on the U.C. Berkeley campus. Since its beginnings in 1967 the main struggle of women in the union has been to get the male dominated university to take seriously a union led by women.

The union has grown a lot in the past year. They are fighting more grievances (winning many), raising more issues, organizing more women; U.C. is realizing that women can get together and can lead a strong union.

The union has concentrated on the particular needs of women. They got the university to negotiate with them on setting up child care centers which they demand be controlled by the community. They are demanding that women be granted maternity leaves and that their jobs be assured them on their return. The union has fought discrimination in job hiring practices and has forced the University to hire women for jobs that were previously exclusively held by men.

The main work that AFSCME has been doing lately is the fight being waged by the maids and janitors who clean the dorms. They are probably the most exploited and underpaid workers on the campus. They earn \$100-150 less a month than do the custodians who clean the campus and they are laid off every summer. AFSCME represents 100% of all the maids and janitors. They have been negotiating with the university for several months now. The demand is "equal pay for equal work". The university is claiming that the work really isn't the same which is a complete lie. One of the differences they cited for the pay differentiation between the maids and the custodians is that they come from different labor pools. What that means is that it's all right to pay women less. The maids and janitors together with other members of AFSCME are saying that the university can not pay women less.

There are 250 custodians only 10 of whom are women. (They have had a union for twenty years, they won a strike in 1954). The custodians have endorsed the demands made by the maids and janitors.

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In the University of California Press Warehouse in Richmond there is a heavy struggle going on between the workers and the boss. There is a black brother who works there who has had family problems and his attendance was not good. The university has a six month probation period. If they don't dig you in that time, they just fire you. In most industries the period is no longer than three months. Everyone who works with the brother really likes him and they don't want to see him fired. The foreman of the shop went to the boss and asked that his probationary period be extended. Sounds reasonable. Well — the boss not only would not agree to the request, he demoted the foreman.

The people got angry and all the employees went to the UC personnel office on Monday and demanded that:

1. The brother's probationary period be extended.
2. The foreman be given back his full position.
3. The boss be removed from his position for incompetence and racism.

All the employees in the press warehouse belong to AFSCME. The union has sent the demands to the university which will have until tomorrow afternoon to accept ALL the demands; then the workers will take action...



The University is not budging. Strike sanction has been given by the Alameda County Central Labor Council. The shop stewards are recommending to the general membership to vote STRIKE!!!

If there is a strike it could, hopefully shut the university down. Professors and TA's in the AFT will be expected to honor the picket lines. Students also will be asked not to cross the picket lines and to join the struggle of the maids and janitors.

This is happening in our own community, it effects the lives of women and men who have been struggling with the university even before the FSM. Many of us have turned away from the university seeing no hope of getting bourgeois students to respond actively to what's happening. This could force students, professors and other employees to face up to the racist, discriminatory practices of the university. Let's all join in and express our solidarity with the women and men who have had enough and are now rising up and need our support.

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LEARY: Any what?
ZWERIN: Anything Eldridge asked you to do which hasn't been connected with security.
CLEAVER: You see ... a lot of political capital was invested in Timothy ... when we accepted him here and when we went to the length of dealing with his presence here publicly, you see? It means that the Black Panther Party took a step to enlarge the scope of our activity here.
ZWERIN: Do you think Eldridge's statement on that tape will do what he hopes it will do? Carry things forward? Or will it serve to splinter?
LEARY: (long silence) I don't know. I think that it's not only what we say but also what we do that is the model by which people judge our overall contribution to the new world. When Rosemary and I came to Algiers, we came voluntarily to seek the protection of the Black Panther Party. We did it with the total hope that we would be able to join here in a new model of what we want the world to be. In a sense we were placing ourselves as citizens in the state of exile they had set up here. Did you know, Eldridge, that the day you opened up this center, I was in a car escaping from prison. The very hours that happened.
CLEAVER: Right on!
LEARY: Rosemary and I saw ourselves as being the first white Americans to say that we would rather be under the protection of Huey Newton's guns than J. Edgar Hoover's guns.
CLEAVER: That's why it's so important, so very important — it's even historic — it places a great responsibility upon us to make it work.
LEARY: Right.
CLEAVER: It is precisely to (Tim's "constituency") that I address myself. Because those who are not part of that segment have no need of this kind of statement. It is precisely those people who are in a position, and who compose the numbers, that we look toward to deliver a very powerful and crippling — even decisive — blow against the System of oppression in Babylon. And

it is precisely for that reason that they must move, because the way they are dealing with it now is ultimately passive. It's not actively dismantling the System. It rejects the System, it condemns the System, but it does not physically demolish the System. And these people are among the army of oppressed people inside the United States who must themselves break the chains that bind them. This constituency is not an item of private property, it is a collection of people who have somehow huddled together and focused their collective social antenna upon each other, and produced certain symbols. Timothy is one expression, one embodiment, of this sentiment and this will. And he has a responsibility to be responsive, both to where those people are coming from, what he himself knows, you see, and to what the situation objectively calls for. And he knows from his from his statements, he knows from his experience, that the situation calls for a more active approach to the struggle. But he does not express this in a pure form. He still ambivalently projects an antecedent approach to the problem.
You and Rosemary coming here and placing yourselves within the framework of our activity here, does result in some political leverage. It is the nucleus of a community of Americans who are abroad and who have made some political progress in terms of having their status and their situation recognized by other sovereign governments. This is very important for us. Nothing that we have done has excluded you trying to make you more conscious of your responsibility, and your DUTIES ... that's what it's all about.
LEARY: Could you tell me more about the responsibilities and duties?
CLEAVER: Well, first of all let me say that I'm even more disillusioned now than I was at the time when I ordered you busted. You know? And that is as a result of the letter you wrote to me, which showed a complete lack of understanding of what we have been through here together, it showed

all kinds of emotional feelings of hostility and scorn, of condemnation, of name-calling. There was one point in there that was very painful for us. Because when you characterized the trip to Lebanon and the gambit we took around Bernardine Dohrn, characterized it as a "fiasco", it shows that you don't remember what happened. I want to refresh your memory on that. The letter typifies what I've been talking about, this general attitude, the vibrations you put out ...
ZWERIN: Well, remember that the letter was written under a great deal of stress, stress which you yourself put on Tim and Rosemary.
CLEAVER: Yes, certain circumstances ... But still, it was very clear — see — and it spoke about our history here, and I think that it was an expression of something that has been going on in his mind, and in Rosemary's mind. I don't think he just picked it out of the air. Now, we can make allowances for the fact that it was done under adverse circumstances. It was done in confinement. It was done ... in jail. (LAUGHS) It was very clear. It was a protest against us, actually. I think it was kind of a rage, or a tantrum. See? When Timothy came here, we kept him hidden for a while. In many parts of the world, the psychedelic, the drug culture in the United States is totally misunderstood, or not understood at all. So even its progressive aspects are condemned by progressive people. Even though what Timothy was doing was specifically and consciously designed to help certain people around the world also, to stop the murderous oppression the United States inflicts on those people, these very same people don't understand, we have a responsibility to deal with that and to communicate in such a way so that they can understand this recent history in America. We had scheduled a press conference here to surface Timothy and Rosemary. It turned out, for the reasons I have just stated — a lack of understanding — that this was not possible. But the word had gotten out to the world press that he was here, and we had the necessity of deflecting that focus. This had to do with security, with securing Timothy and Rosemary's existence. Because while somewhere else, you see, he has other countries he can go to ... I know that this is very perilous for him ...
ZWERIN: That relates to another question I had. What did you mean when you told me "Tim and Rosemary are not free here?"
CLEAVER: Let me finish dealing with this. We had the assistance of some very important and influential people, people in positions in various governments ... people who stuck their neck out, you see, because THEY understood the situation, but they knew that some of their

colleagues did not understand. They helped us set up this Lebanon trip to deflect the focus, and also to deal with the problem of surfacing Timothy and Rosemary so that they could come back to Algeria and take up their life, in security. You see? Timothy knew all this at that time, when he took the trip to Lebanon. We risked our Field Marshal, D.C., who is also wanted by the police in the United States, on a much more serious charge, a capital charge that involves the death penalty, you see, and we risked him to see this thing through. So that when Timothy characterizes this as a "fiasco", it's an insult and it shows a complete ignorance of our situation because this is what made it possible for him to be sitting here today. Otherwise he would have been back in prison by now, in California. So I consider that to have been one of our greatest moments yet. It was actually a very well-executed political maneuver; it was triumphant.
ZWERIN: How did the trip make it possible for them to stay here? I don't quite understand.
CLEAVER: Because we accomplished the fact of surfacing him without blowing our ability to function here.
ZWERIN: Tim, why did you call it a fiasco?
LEARY: I apologize for that.
CLEAVER: Well, you see, of course it's easy to say "I apologize for that," but it does not DEAL with it. You see? Maybe he understands it now, you see, but he did not understand it then. And he was the principal involved in it. You see? Okay. So that we can go through a lot of apologies, but that's not what I want. I want understanding. I want Timothy to understand that world political forces and balances, see, are shifting, and we must be constantly aware of this so that we can secure our existence, so that we can see hostile currents coming, so we can make preparations to move away from them. Because all of us here are fugitives, you know, we have prices on our heads, and we have long prison sentences and death penalties waiting for us, you see, and we have an army of agents after us. You know how they work around the world? They stop at nothing to destroy what they're ordered to destroy. And this is something that we have to deal with, and we must deal with it with initiative, we must keep the initiative because once they get us into a defensive position we're finished.
ZWERIN: It seems to me at this point that the bust is in the process of accomplishing what you wanted ... that is it produced Tim's letter, which produced this confrontation, which could now produce an understanding.
CLEAVER: But the principle under discussion here is not so much the bust as the statement (THE TAPE) I released. You see?

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Because, while the bust was not comfortable, it was of short duration, and it can easily be forgotten. But the statement is of longer duration, and of more consequence. IT is what has to be dealt with. I think that when I made the statement I had in mind the consideration of leaving room for further developments. There was nothing in the tape that said we were through with Timothy and Rosemary. We're through with certain types of behavior. As I said then, they're welcome here with us. But that whole world has to be dealt with in an historical context, LEFT there as part of the past, and the present has to be dealt with.

ZWERIN: How do you feel, Tim, about Eldridge's statement on acid?

LEARY: I've already answered that. I'm not making any statements about drugs. I haven't for some time.

CLEAVER: But don't you think you must? Because if anyone has any knowledge and experience with this, it's you. And if you're not issuing any statements about drugs it's because you choose to wait until later, or because you have another opinion. In the meantime, your constituency is hanging. And if you've moved, then they need to know so that THEY can move. You see? And I think that you indicated to them in your Manifesto that you have moved, you see, but I think that they need to understand more clearly what you're saying now, what you've been saying these days... about the bomb and the gun and the need for dealing like that. I think that has to be made very clear, and it's left very fuzzy. And there's just not time. There's not time to tarry. Because we have people who are on death row, who are on trial for their lives, and who need the active support and assistance of those people who are waiting for you. Those people comprise sufficient numbers to liberate political prisoners, and to construct the revolutionary weapon we need to overthrow the government. To me, it is criminal for them to be left in the bag they're in. And if you CAN'T take that initiative, in terms of a problem that has to be dealt with, it'll have to be dealt with as one and the same. Because somebody has to deal with it. I'm not saying that I can deal with it, but I'm going to do everything I can TO deal with it. We, as a whole, must deal with it. Many people, I think want to see how YOU are going to deal with it.

See, we've received much criticism by people who already have decided to put all that behind them, who don't want to relate to that whole

spectrum of activity, and they say to us: "What are you running over there in Algeria, a clown show? Why did you let Timothy stay?" But what they don't take into consideration is that Timothy has a RIGHT to come over here, and we have a DUTY to him, as compatriots. If there is any basis or truth to our aspiration to function in the name of the American people, and to do something about society as a whole, we cannot turn our backs. We recognize our responsibility to him. We received a lot of criticism for this. But we did not allow that to stop us from trying to work with you, you see. Like people who come through here with valid passports, we put them in the wind very quickly. Because they can go to some other country. But people who come here uptight, we don't throw them to the dogs. Because the dogs are waiting.

LEARY: I didn't answer your question, Eldridge. In the last page or two of your interview with Lockwood, which is the most recent book of yours I've read, you said the main goal that we're all working for is to be under a tree with your mate and a book of poetry, to be high. But that now, we must put all that away and go down to fight for freedom, and when that is won, then go back to the tree with your mate. Is that correct?

CLEAVER: That's just a way of saying something.

LEARY: Yeah. I agree with that statement, its aim and its priorities. Completely. The number one goal is to free all prisoners of the American System and the use of any drug which will hinder in any way, even for an hour, the freeing of many many prisoners, borthers and sisters, the use of any drug that will postpone their freedom for even an hour should be postponed until they are free.

CLEAVER: I agree with that. But... then it becomes a question that we deal with then. All right? So I'm perfectly willing to leave it there. I don't think people should have the idea that it's an unnecessary postponement. A look at the history of revolution in various countries clearly indicates that it is possible, through a combination of skillful repression and massacre, and nappery and bungling on the part of the righteous foes of the System - through that combination, revolution can be postponed for generations. We're confronted in Babylon with the headquarters of a world-wide empire of oppression. We have a very hard job. You see? But a job that we have been fitted to do. I firmly believe that it is impossible for man to destruct a system of oppression which the oppressed people within that System cannot

deal with themselves. You see. I think it's not possible. But I do think that the fascists in Babylon think they have such an indestructible system. Many of the people who are oppressed think that that is such a System. This is one of the primary feeders of the whole impulse to escape. Using acid, using drugs is a form of escape from the confrontation of something that CAN be dealt with. If the system could NOT be dealt with, if it was utterly impossible to deal with that system, then I would advocate the next best thing. Tripping out. Trip out now. Dig it? Get what you can now because it can't be dealt with. But it CAN be dealt with.

ZWERIN: In your statement I believe you said you exempted marijuana when you refer to drugs. Why?

CLEAVER: I exempt it in the sense that it is possible to find moments to relax, even in this situation. I stated very precisely how we do not advocate or encourage the use of even marijuana while one is directly involved in his revolutionary work. But even revolutionaries, who are not involved with a battlefield situation - you understand? - find hours, or maybe even all night, when one can relax and get high. But the recovery period from marijuana happens to be such that it makes that possible. But I don't think it's possible while on an acid trip to return to one's work just like so. You see? Plus, emergencies can't be dealt with. But if you're high on grass, you can deal with shit. You can deal with shit, if it comes up. These days none of our homes are secure any more. Pigs come at odd hours and kick down doors with murderous intent. I think it would be very disastrous for the pigs to visit you while you are on a trip, man, you might think it's just part of your trip. You'd never know.

Because whether Timothy knows it or not, the U.S. imperialists want to kill him. They want to kill him. And there are people who have been assigned to deal with US. I know that someone has already been assigned, you see, to kill me. I have this on information, you see. And I know that our whole operation here has been placed on the map, in terms of a target. So this is not something that we can take lightly, it is something that deserves the most serious consideration. It's making me more serious by the day. Timothy, just tell me... do you think the enemy would prefer you dead or alive?

LEARY: Dead.

CLEAVER: Now if you understand that, you see... you KNOW they prefer you in prison because they already put you there. Which meant that you were separated from Rosemary, whom you love and whom you like

to be with. And if they get their hands on you again, you will again be separated from Rosemary. Here you're not separate from Rosemary. And even when we busted you, you see, we didn't separate you. Although we could have. But that's not our bag. But you have to understand that there are people who want to separate you, who want you dead and who are actively trying to bring that about. And they want Bobby Seale dead. They want Huey Newton dead. They want everybody who don't go along with their program either neutralized, incarcerated, or dead. They're killing people today, around the world. As we sit here talking they are murdering people. And as we sit here talking, they are working on our case. You see? And it's more useful for us to be in our work spots, trying to deal with THEM, than to be sitting here dealing with internal problems, problems that should already have been dealt with. It's not something we can afford to do. Well, is that about it?

ZWERIN: One more question. How can Timothy and Rosemary function with you in the future?

CLEAVER: Timothy can write. I think he understands information. And one of our primary jobs here is dissemination of information about the situation in the United States to the people of the world. Going along with that is our responsibility to send information back to the United States about what's happening to the people in the world. I think that Timothy should integrate himself into our work apparatus here, and begin to contribute, to put aside this isolated, individualistic approach to this problem. Not just to state, but to embody in practice the policy of all for one and one for all. Because when we stated to Weathermen that we would deal with this, we meant that we would go down with Timothy, that if someone moved against Timothy it would not be any different than if he moved against us. And we mean that. I know a lot of people practice one thing and preach another thing, but it's part of the Black Panther Party to match practice to preachment as best we can. I don't think I can say it any clearer. Since we have stated that we will go down with Timothy, a corollary to that is that he has a responsibility not to drag us down unnecessarily, but to help us push up. Not just sit around watching us push. And not to push in some other direction. And not even pushing in the RIGHT direction without that being part of the overall thrust. You see? We must have a united force which can have one impact on that System.

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After the hour and a half concert, one of the inmates told us, "A lot of sisters left there stronger — it was one for OUR side!"

Another listener, Ericka Huggins, sent us this poem about our visit, which we'd like to share with other sisters and brothers:

REFLECTIONS ON SUNDAY

sounds that come from the soul are always the same

free

open sounds

growing the kind that reach out

and touch—

that's what our sisters did/ minimum

touching maximum/ sharing oppression

and the wish for its

removal. . .

feeling those sounds

seeing them felt in others

watching faces smile

really smile for the first time in months—

getting high — on the natural power of the

people to resist/ to smile/ to laugh/ to sing/

shout/ love/ give

even here . . .

wild hair, funky guitar

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came to mind)

hair — all lengths, legs, arms, smiles, music —

SISTERS — and us . . .

raggedy peacoats, cotton dresses, rocking,

swaying

screaming

enjoying it —

crying too — even if not too many

let the tears fall free

. . . us — black/ brown/ white/ poor — SISTERS —

and it was all a total exchange

of energy

communication

even if we did not share words

we all knew their soul-songs were

saying:

we understand

we know

we can see what Amerika is doing

to you — mother/daughter/child/woman

of oppression —

we can see, they sang —

and our voices answered their guitars,

horns flute-voice-cowbell-tambourine de-

mand for freedom with an unspoken right on

. . . a feeling there that one day — soon —

all people will be free . . . and

we left

stronger

able to smile (for a moment) . . .

til we returned to

rules that degrade

schedules that destroy sanity

racism that they cannot see

sexism that rapes us of our womanhood. . .

and the locks, keys, windows, walls, doors,

threats

warnings

bribes that harden our hearts and

chain our souls. . .

the time

must be

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MUSIC THING

Several weeks ago I did a review on the new Joy of Cooking album, a review I wasn't completely satisfied with, and so I promised to say more at a later date.

It will be a pleasure to talk about the Joy's new album and the group itself. This is a group I can speak about with relative ease. They have been playing regularly here in the Bay Area, for about two and a half or three years now; they've done all the benefits one could expect a local group to do; they've done the so-called big time gigs, the Winterland thing, Pepperland etc. But what is really important is that they've been able to make a go of it here, on a regular basis, in the smaller clubs. They have something of a loyal following that turns out to see them at Mandrakes, Freight and Salvage, Keystone Corner etc.

I've been able to see the Joy on a regular basis for the last three or four months, and so with candid honesty I will say I really don't care much for their live performances. The crowds always seem to be diggin' them, whooping it up, dancing and enjoying. But for me it's always been something less than all that. But their album is a horse of two or three different colors (I'll get to that in a minute).

The group features two women and three men. The two women being: Terry Garthwaite and Toni Brown (a dynamite last name) and the three men being: Ron Wilson, Fritz Kasten and the newest member Jeff Neighbor. Jeff replaces David Garthwaite (brother of Terry) who was the group's original bass player. Some of the regular fans have already remarked that they miss David, and I must admit I share their sentiments. But perhaps that isn't fair to Jeff, I'm of the opinion we

should give the man a chance to do what it is he will do.

Now, about that album. It's entitled: Joy of Cooking, and it was recorded for the Capitol label. The whole thing of record companies, rip-offs, big profits, fuckovers etc., has been an incubus on my soul here of late. This is a subject I feel hard pressed to deal with — I will deal with it in this column but at a later time. So let me proceed with the thought that I'm cognizant of the avaricious record industry, and I will attempt to expose the sweet smell the companies have passed under our eyes, ears and noses for what it really is.

But let us keep in mind that all record companies aren't vitiated operations with big profits on their minds. And also, in order for most groups to get their music to the people, such as the Joy of Cooking, they often have to accede to the demands of a big company. I'm not trying to imply that this is so with the Joy, I don't know. I'm simply stating fact, and it's too bad you just can't sit down and write about a good album like this one without having to also consider record company ripoffs.

When I first put on this album I was very impressed with it, that was over a month ago. Well, now, I'm simply amazed with this fine work. Toni wrote seven of the ten songs on the album and co-wrote another. Her lyrics seem to deal mainly with fucked up living conditions, sour love affairs and incorrigible men. But there is some social comment, for example:

*If some God looked down on the hills
and the ocean
You know he wouldn't have a thing to
say*

*But if he looked a little closer
He might turn his head away.
Just like a man is blind to his brother
Walkin' down the street today
He says nothing, just walks on by
Can't even look him straight in the eye
If we are all Gods we better start lookin'
Or die — or die.*

In listening to the album pay attention to the construction of the music. "Too Late, But Not Forgotten", side one, song two, is a fine example of the group's ability to musically caress a song. Listen to it as the beat follows a pleasant, simplistic course; listen to the slide guitar soothing, making the listening easy. Truly fine. Aside from being a fine songwriter Toni puts out some fine piano playing on this record, esp. on this song. Listen to the mezzo part of "Too Late" and you will see that her solo is truly an obligato.

Doing most of the lead vocals and rhythm guitar work is Terry. Out of the side of her mouth comes a strong, at times, guttural sounding voice which is distinct enough to identify whenever you hear it. But, on a song like "Down My Dream", side one, song two, you hear all the smoothness and polish of a Nancy Wilson.

Fritz Kasten is a DRUMMER. I could talk a while about Fritz' ability, but instead of being pleonastic I'll just say that I admire this man as much as you can admire another human being. And believe me, his drumming will speak for itself.

On congas and other percussion stuff is Ron. I will openly admit that I know very little about congas and the like, and so I won't attempt to tell you how great or how bad Ron is. I only know that he fits in quite well with the whole setup.

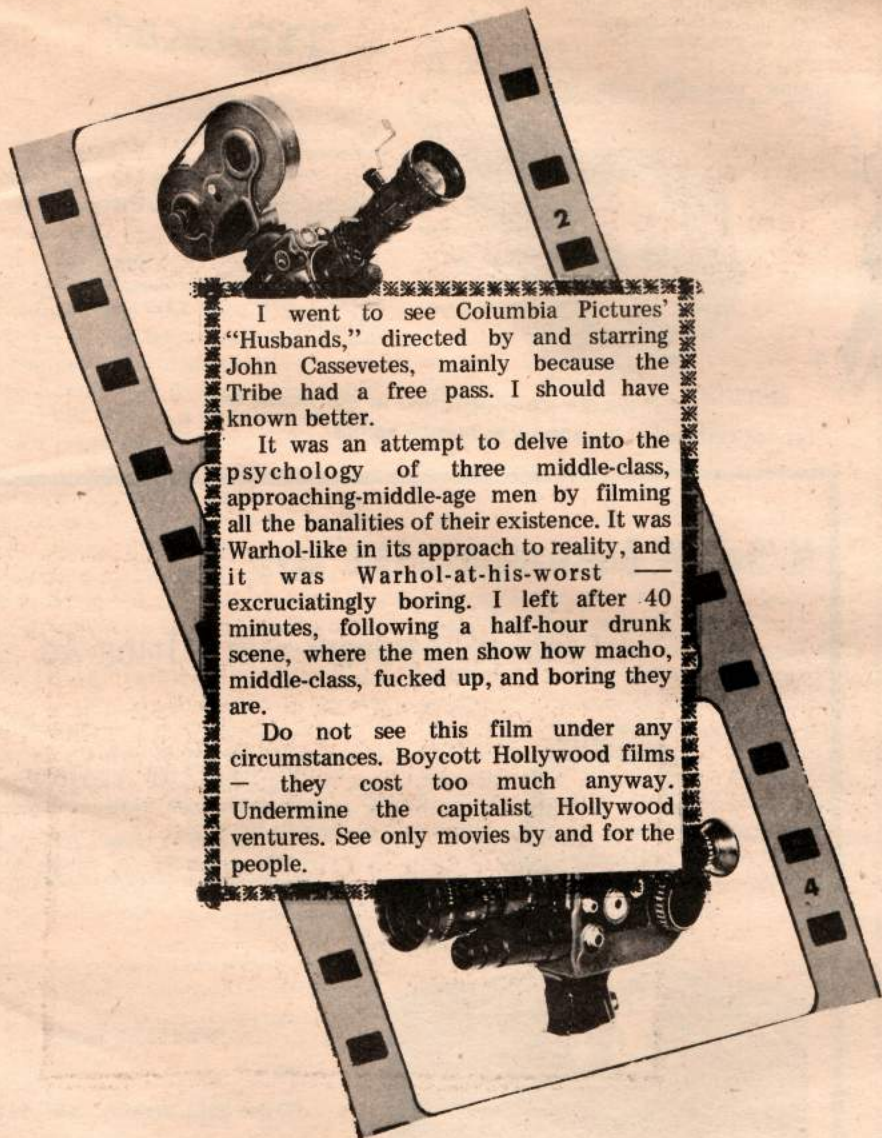
His congas often help to fill the void on such lengthy songs as "Did You Go Downtown".

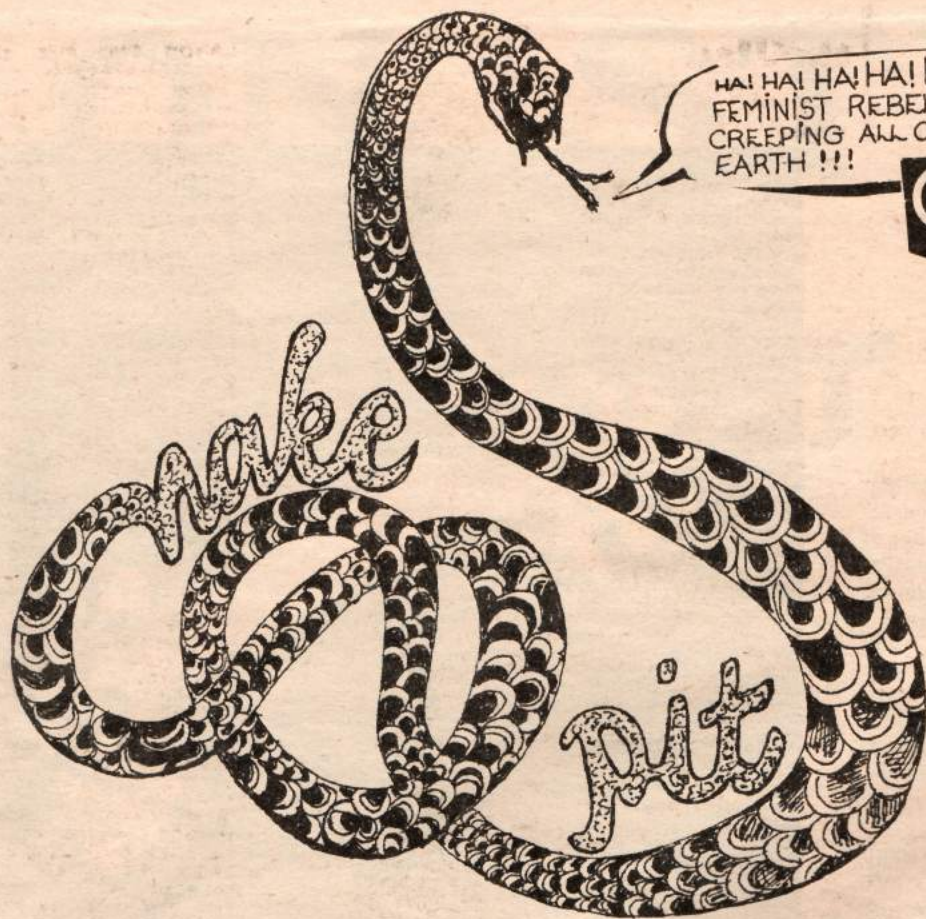
On side two listen with care to "Red Wine at Noon" and "Only Time Will Tell". "Red Wine" is an amazing tune, one of the best songs I've ever heard!

As of this writing the Joy are in L.A. doing a week's engagement at the Troubadour. This album may help to send them and their music around the country, but let us not forget other who have had a hand in all of this: Mike Sunday, Chris Strachwitz, Don Shain, Nancy Owens and the one and only Mary Moore. Gloria Denson, wife of the group's manager Ed, and "Bright Eyes" Joy Johnston are the kind of people who are always behind the scenes making things go but never get mentioned.

A good record deserves a good review. I indeed hope this has been one because this is certainly a very good album. For a first effort the Joy have done a very good job; but let us remember three years of long hard work went into that recording studio with them, and it sure looks like things are going to work out. Good luck Joy of Cooking!

Brother Brown





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